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# Japs Being Pushed Back From Kohima

## Allied Advance Towards Ukhrul: Air Offensive Inside Burma: Two Bridges Destroyed

KANDY (CEYLON), April 30.

British Troops supported by tanks and United States dive-bombers are driving the Japanese forces back from the outskirts of Kohima on the Burma frontier.

On the fringe of Imphal plain Allied troops have made a further advance and are only five miles from Ukhrul in their latest push against the Japanese.

### STRANGEST OF BATTLES

Mr. D. R. Mankekar, "Associated Press of India" War Correspondent with the Fourteenth Army Headquarters writes:—

The battle that began on April 27 in the Kohima area close to the District Commissioner's bungalow is swinging in our favour. Our forces yesterday cleared the entire area of the Japanese. Fighting is continuing.

This strangest of battles began on April 27, with men from the west of England assaulting the hill on whose summit are the ruins of the District Commissioner's bungalow. The bungalow stands in a compound surrounded by a stone wall. Jap bunkers in each of the four corners of the compound were under fire from British infantrymen dug in among the ruins of the bungalow and finally captured in a 3 a.m. charge.

JAPANESE CASUALTIES

Since the main British assault began, Japanese casualties around Kohima have been numerous killed and wounded every day. Their total loss since April 12 is now estimated at 1,500. A prisoner of war said 200 had died on the ridge near the Kohima hospital during a British artillery barrage. At Khabvuma, an outlying Jap strongpoint attacked by Hurricane bombers, patrols found a mass of graves and the position deserted.

The only other active sector has been south-west of Imphal along the Bishenpore-Silchar track where heavy fighting continues. But we have succeeded in repairing the bridge damaged by the enemy fifty miles up the road and cleared the area of Japs.

During 29th April there was no important change on the Burma front, says to-day's S.E.A.C. communique'. Normal patrol activity with minor clashes continued in all sectors.

Operations to complete the reduction of enemy points of resistance in the outskirts of Kohima made satisfactory progress.

In the Imphal area our troops captured an enemy position overlooking the Bishenpur track and held it against two counter-attacks.

Near Palel heavy casualties were inflicted on enemy troops who attempted to encircle one of our patrols.

IN ARAKAN

In the Arakan resolute defence and accurate mortar and artillery fire by our troops frustrated a number of local attacks by the Japanese.

In the course of a further sweep over the Heho and Aungban airfields in daylight on 29th April U.S.A.A.F. fighters of the Third Tactical Air Force encountered more than 15 enemy aircraft in the air. Of these two were destroyed and two others probably destroyed. On the same day R.A.F. fighters attacked the Kangaung and Meiktila airfields. An enemy aircraft was destroyed on the ground.

SUPPLY DUMPS ATTACKED

U.S.A.A.F. heavy bombers of the Strategic Air Force, Eastern Air Command, in daylight on 29th April attacked supply dumps in the Kalewa area, starting several fires. On the same day medium units damaged two bridges near Pyawbwe and another bridge in the Kalewa area. On the night of 29th April R.A.F. heavy and medium bombers attacked Prome dumps causing numerous explosions and large fires.

In daylight on 28th and 29th R.A.F. and I.A.F. fighters, fighter-bombers and dive-bombers strafed and bombed enemy gun positions, troop-areas, trenches and road and river transport in the Arakan, Mayu, Kaladan, Naga Hills and north-west Burma areas.

U.S.A.A.F. fighters and fighter-bombers in daylight on 28th and 29th April attacked enemy stores, gun positions, railway targets and buildings in the Meza area and in north Burma. Two bridges were destroyed.

Long range fighters in daylight on 28th and 29th April continued their offensive against enemy communications in the Myittha Valley and Mandalay area damaging locomotives and motor transport.

From all these operations two Allied aircraft are missing.—A. P.

### ALTERNATIVES FOR JAPS

Sam Jackett, "A.P.I." special correspondent at the South-east Asia Command Headquarters at Kandy, writes:

The outstanding characteristic of operations on all sectors in Burma during the past week has been the lack of Japanese success against steady resistance exerted everywhere by the allies. They continue to suffer defeats in the air, and on all sectors Allied counter measures have seriously disorganised their plans.

On the Salween Front, the threat of the Chinese forces continues, and General Stilwell's troops have reached a point only ten miles by air from the Japanese stronghold at Kamaing. The occupation of Manpin by these troops cost the Japanese 300 casualties.

North of Myitkyina, the Japanese are contained in a comparatively small area. In Central Burma, Chindits are continuing their vigorous harassing operations and are engaging an increasing number of the Japanese forces. These troops are expected to play an increasingly important part as the Japanese position becomes worse.

ALTERNATIVES FOR JAPS.

On the Assam front it has been a week of manoeuvres and the advantage has fallen to the allies.

*The road from Dimapur to Kohima is now open and the Kohima garrison has been relieved. There is every indication that the Japanese are massing for the attack against Imphal, but the Allies have been prepared for this for some time.*

Japanese manpower has been steadily reduced and their supply position continually worsens. Unless the Japanese are in the near future to stage some form of operation to improve the situation, they will be forced to make the difficult decision—either to withdraw to positions which can be more easily maintained and abandon "conquer India" propaganda or to try to hold on were they are until they are starved out and defeated.—A. P.

## Japanese Assam Adventure

### What An Order Of The Day Enjoined On Forces

14TH ARMY H.Q., April 30

The great hopes pinned by the Japanese on their Assam offensive and the ambitious objectives of the operation which "may lead to the war's conclusion" are revealed by a captured Order of the Day issued by the Commander of the Japanese Fifteenth Army Group, General Renya Mutaguchi, writes Mr. Alan Humphreys, "Associated Press of India" War Correspondent.

Published on February 18, at the beginning of the offensive, the order states: "The army has now reached the stage of invincibility and the day when the Rising Sun will proclaim our definite victory in India is not far off. By the operation's very decisive nature, its success will have a profound effect upon the course of the war and may even lead to its conclusion. Our mission is thus of the greatest importance and we must expend every energy and talent in the achievement of our goal.

Speedy and successful advance is the keynote of the operation. When we strike we must be absolutely ready, reaching our objectives with the speed of wildfire despite all obstacles of river, mountain and labyrinthine jungle. We must sweep aside the paltry opposition we encounter and add lustre to the army's tradition by achieving a victory of annihilation."—A. P.

# Await Signal To Strike

## *"Do Not Be Premature" Warning To Europe's Underground Movement*

LONDON, April 30.

The warning "do not be premature" was given to Europe's underground resistance movements by the Director of the Overseas Branch of the United States Office of War Information, making the inaugural broadcast to-day from "an American broadcasting station in Europe."

"Do not reveal yourselves before the proper time," he said. "We shall give you the signal when the hour comes for you to rise against the enemy and strike. Listen to the Allied radio for word that will come from the Supreme Commanders, General Eisenhower in the west and General Wilson in the south."

The Director-General of B.B.C. Mr. W. J. Haley, said: The B.B.C. would be heard at certain periods from the new station and the mingling of these voices "will remind you of the mingling that has come about between the forces of our two peoples in the joint task of liberation."—Reuter.

### AIR INVASION PACE MAINTAINED

LONDON, April 30: Maintaining the air invasion pace of 17 missions in the last two weeks more than 275 Ninth Air Force Marauders and havoc light bombers attacked military objectives in Northern France just before noon today. It is officially stated. One Marauder is missing. Bombers which encountered intense anti-aircraft fire were escorted by R.A.F. Dominion and Allied Spitfires some of which also bombed Ninth Air Force target. A brief skirmish took place between a formation of Havocs and group of ten Messerschmitt 109's in which the Havocs suffered no loss and did not claim any of the German planes as destroyed.

Railway yards at Mantes—Gassicourt, at Bethune, and the airfield at Cormeilles, all in France, were attacked by Thunderbolt fighter-bombers of the Ninth Air Force. One is missing. Two distant targets which Lancasters of the R.A.F attacked without loss during the night were Poudrerie Nationale which is at Saint Madrad—en—Jalles about nine miles north-west of Bordeaux, and the airframe factory at Aulnat near Clermont Ferrand which—the Air Ministry says—now repairs and assembles aircraft engines for the Germans.

SMOKE SHOOTS UP SKY-HIGH

The source of the attack may be guessed by the comment of one flight commander who saw "a series of colossal explosions" at Poudrerie Nationale. The smoke rose to 5,000 feet and thirty minutes after the attack the explosions were still going on. This factory is the most important of four State explosive works used by the Germans who have been making great efforts to increase the contribution of French powder factories to their war effort.

The Air Ministry estimate that recently these factories have been producing up to twenty per cent of Germans' supplies of propellant explosive. Large fires were caused at an airframe factory near Clermont Ferrand. Some hangars on an adjoining airfield were also bombed.

18 NAZI PLANES SHOT DOWN

Eighteen German planes were shot down by fighters which escorted the Eighth Air Force Flying Fortresses to aerodromes at Lyons and Clermont-Ferrand and Liberators to other targets this morning. They also reported the destruction of a number of German aircraft which were destroyed in the air. One American bomber and four fighters are missing.—Reuter.

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### *ALLIED INVASION NOW UNDER WAY*

**NEW YORK, April 29: New York evening newspapers today splashed a Stockholm story quoting the Finnish newspaper "Sanomat" as saying that the Allied invasion of Europe is now under way.**

**"Landings are probably in progress at several places now", said a despatch to the newspaper "Aftonbladet" quoting a Finnish report.—Reuter.**

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## BIG AMERICAN RAID ON BERLIN

LONDON, April 29.

United States Headquarters announced that United States heavy bombers attacked Berlin in very great strength this morning.

The Americans lost 63 bombers and 14 fighters and 88 German planes were destroyed.

WASHINGTON, April 29: American "Mitchell" medium-bombers on Thursday raided Ponape for the 34th time this month.

**BR. SUBMARINE LOST.**

LONDON, April 30: The Admiralty states that the submarine 'Syrtis' is overdue and must be considered lost.—Reuter.

# JINNAH DENIES EXISTENCE OF PACT WITH SIKANDAR!

SIALKOT, April 29.

Addressing the second open session of the Punjab Muslim League Conference to-night, Mr. M. A. Jinnah critically examined the Punjab Premier's statement regarding his talks with the League President and declared that Malik Khizr Hyat Khan was speaking as plenipotentiary of some agency or party.

*Mr. Jinnah categorically and publicly denied that any secret commitment was made or any assurance about non-interference in the internal affairs of the Punjab had been given under the so-called Jinnah-Sikandar Pact.*

According to that document it was open to League Party in the assembly to terminate this coalition or any other coalition. Coalition could not be permanent. Coalitions were always at will. It was open to the League Party to enter into coalition or alliance even before or after the elections.

*He completely denied that it was a Pact and asserted that a Pact could only be between two parties.*

This was only a record of what Sir Sikandar had said he would carry out.

*How could there be pact between a leader and a follower or a prospective follower, asked the League President.*

PREMIER'S CHILDISH ATTITUDE.

Characterising the attitude of Malik Khizr Hyat Khan as childish, Mr. Jinnah said that he wanted to kill the very name "Unionist" and see its funeral. He exhorted the Muslims to unite and organise themselves. The more they were organised and united, the less would be the efforts made to destroy them.

Mr. Jinnah reiterated that League attitude towards the war effort was that of non-embarrassment. It was a lie and an insinuation to say that the League wanted to interfere in or obstruct the war effort or put difficulties in the prosecution of the war. It could only be intended to poison public opinion in England, America and this country.

*The defence of their country, he said, was of far greater interest to the Indians than to America or any other foreign country.*

CONSTITUTION OR FRAUD.

Mr. Jinnah then recalled the change of Government in England amidst war when Mr. Churchill became the Prime Minister and asked whether there were controversies in England, Canada and America. Whenever any constitutional controversy arose in this country it was imputed to wicked intentions. If that was so, why not close down this constitution altogether. He then referred to the formation of League Ministries in Bengal, Sind and Frontier Province and said that on the one hand they were told that there should be no fresh elections and on the other hand they were told that this constitution was at their disposal if they wanted to work; but in the working of it the constitutional right of working it on honourable lines was not to be taken away.

MAKE IT INEVITABLE

Referring to the recent statements of Mr. Savarkar and Dr. Moonjee, he said that it was clearly indicated that some leaders of the Punjab Hindu Mahasabha had sought their advice regarding formation of coalition with the League but the matter had been left to the discretion of the Provincial Hindu Mahasabha leaders, as the policy had already been laid down that whenever it was inevitable they could join the League. The Muslim had therefore to make the formation of the League Coalition Ministry inevitable.—A. P.

## Manufacture Of Fertilizers

### India Govt. Invite British Experts To Advise On Plant And Machinery

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, April 30

The Government of India have decided to invite British experts to advise them on the type of plant, machinery, location and other auxiliary matters in connection with the manufacture of chemical fertilizers in this country. This, it is learned, was revealed at the Conference provincial representatives yesterday. The Supply Member, Sir Ramaswamy Mudaliar, presided.

I gather that Government have decided that manufacture of chemical fertilizers should be a State industry owned by the Central Government, or partly by the Centre and partly by the Provinces. It is felt here that private enterprise would not be able to make fertilizers available to cultivators at prices within their reach. The location of the industry, the type of machinery and from which country it should be imported would be decided after the experts have made their report.

**SPIES SHOT.**

Reuter's Special Correspondent at Allied Headquarters in Italy cables on April 30: Six Italian spies who crossed into Allied lines in Italy on missions for the Germans have been executed by a firing squad.—Reuter.

## NAZIS ENTRENCHED IN ANZIO

### Allies Keep Up Non-Stop Raids Over German Ports And Harbours

ALLIED H.Q. IN ITALY, April 30

Reuter's Special Correspondent cables:—

Allied patrols continuing their testing stabs at German positions round the bridgehead perimeter are finding Germans entrenched in well defended strongpoints. Though the Germans are presumably reconciled to fight defensively, they are apparently prepared to put up determined opposition to any attack from the bridgehead, and are now reacting sharply to Allied combat patrols.

At the same time the Germans continue to send in raiding parties of perhaps platoon strength. General Graeser, Commander of the German Third Panzer Grenadier Division, which has been at the bridgehead front since the start of the Anzio operation, meanwhile, has warned his men that the coming battles will require everything they have got.

The M.A.A.F. again stepped up a non-stop day and night offensive against German ports, harbours and railyards. Bombs from Liberators and Halifaxes straddled the east-end of Genoa harbour. Saturday's daylight attack on Toulon by Liberators and Fortresses lasted one hour and submarine pens, arsenal and munitions factory were well covered.—Reuter.

### On Pacific Front

Allied Headquarters South-West Pacific, April 30:—

Allied planes raided Wadke, west of Hollandia in Dutch Newguinea, said to-day's 'communique' from General MacArthur's headquarters.

At least four grounded Japanese aircraft were destroyed, large fires were started in supply areas. At Geelvink Bay, a thousand ton Japanese freighter was attacked and damaged.

Wewak was again heavily raided by Allied heavy bombers which started large fires. Allied naval patrols strafed shore targets near Condor point off the Madang coast. One of the three Japanese planes which raided the newly captured Allied base of Aitape was destroyed.—Reuter.

### "It Will Embarrass Anglo-Chinese Relations"

WASHINGTON, April 30: The unofficial Army and Navy Journal today criticises the Prime Minister Mr. Churchill's recent statement in the Commons that there was no possibility of cession of any British territory.

It commented: "As interpreted here—and doubtless it will be so interpreted in Chungking—this means that not only will bases we have leased not be ceded to us but that Hongkong, and the Kowloon peninsula will not be returned to China. As the latter is one of the aspirations of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek Mr. Churchill's blunt statement may develop into embarrassment in Anglo-Chinese relations."—Reuter.

## SALT FAMINE IN DHUBRI DIST.

### Loaded Country Boats Seized On Brahmaputra

*DHUBRI, April 27.*

*Several country boats carrying about 1,500 bags of salt through Brahmaputra river towards Upper Assam, have been seized at Dhubri.*

*About scarcity of salt is being felt all over the district. In the mofussil it is reported to be sold at Rs. 2 to Rs. 3 per seer. In the town itself, it is reported, some people are selling it at Rs. 100 per bag against the controlled price of Rs. 15 per bag.—A. P.*

## *BOLIVIA IN STATE OF SIEGE*

LAPAZ, (Bolivia) April 30.

Bolivia is under a state-of-siege following an abortive revolution and a number of 'incidents' have been reported from various centres.

The country is preparing for parliamentary elections fixed for July 2nd.

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**POLISH REPRISAL**

LONDON, April 30: The sentence of death was passed by the Polish underground movement some time ago on Colonel Otto Grunwald, the notorious head of the German police in the suburban district of Warsaw and "one of the most bloody oppressors in Poland", says the Polish Ministry of Information. Last Wednesday morning, it adds, Grunwald's car was stopped by a barricade as it was turning a corner in a street on the outskirts of the city. Six members of the Polish resistance movement riddled it with bullets and Grunwald and two of his escort were killed outright. All the poles escaped.—Reuter.

**DR. JIVRAJ MEHTA ILL**

POONA, April 30.

Dr. Jivraj Mehta, former Dean of the K.E.M. Hospital and Principal of the Govardhandas Medical College, Bombay, it is understood, has been lying in Sassoon Hospital for some days past.—A. P.

# Nazi Destroyer Set On Fire In Channel

## Canadian Forces In Naval Action: Successful Attack On German Convoy Near Norway

LONDON, April 30.

The Admiralty *communique* to-day reports a naval action between German destroyers and light forces of the Canadian Navy near Ushant early on Saturday morning. One German destroyer was set on fire and grounded. One Canadian destroyer was lost.

The 'communique' reads: "During an offensive sweep in the English Channel early on Saturday, light forces of the Royal Canadian Navy encountered two enemy destroyers of Elbing class in the vicinity of Ile de Vierge near Ushant. The enemy force was engaged by destroyers HMCS "Haida" and HMCS "Athabascan", and a gun action ensued to within close distance of enemy occupied territory. Repeated hits were obtained and one of the enemy destroyers was driven ashore and left on fire. The remaining enemy destroyer escaped in darkness. The Board of the Admiralty regret to announce that during the course of the action the "Athabascan" was torpedoed and sank."

### German Convoy Attacked

Giving details of a successful attack by naval aircraft on a German convoy off Bodo in northern Norway on April 27, the Admiralty communique' said that the convoy consisted of four medium sized supply ships and five escort craft. All four supply vessels and one of the escort were hit, three supply vessels being left on fire. Meanwhile, other naval aircraft set fire to one large supply ship in Bodo harbour itself. Five naval aircraft are missing.

SMASHING BLOW

Reuter's Special Correspondent with the home fleet, aboard one of H.M. aircraft-carriers writes:

AT SEA (WEDNESDAY) Delayed: Bombers and fighters of the fleet air arm roared in low to strike a smashing blow at a German convoy in Leads, on Bodo, south-west of Lofoten Islands and at targets in Narvik and the Hoy area of Norway Carrier borne Barracuda bombers escorted by Corsair, Hellcat and Wildcat fighters hit, beached, sank or left burning, five merchant ships steaming south. Only five machines were lost, one Barracuda and four fighters—and this in the face of intense flak. No German aircraft were seen either on the ground or in the air.

SUCCESSFUL "STRIKES"

The first Barracuda was flagged off the flight deck of the aircraft-carrier at 4-30 in the morning and the remainder followed until the air was filled with them. They went into formation and streaked off towards the Norwegian coasts leaving an 'umbrella' of Seafire and Swordfish patrolling over the fleet which still kept on its course. Occasionally meagre reports would come through of the progress of the raid which was divided into two 'strikes.'

Then we heard the announcement that the first strike had been 'most successful' and that one of the aircraft had been forced to 'ditch.' Later a quiet voice on the loudspeakers said: "Group of aircraft, green, friendly."

A few minutes later they roared over the carriers doing 'the victory roll', indicating that 'the party' had been a success. While these began to 'land on', the remainder of the two 'strikes' came in and once again the air was filled with the roar of fighters and bombers indulging in acrobatics, as a sign of their jubilation.

Reuter's Special Correspondent at Cairo cables:—

Several hundred Yugoslav partisans who were fighting in the partisan army less than a month ago are now training to handle tanks, armoured cars and lorries in the Middle East, it was officially stated from an army source to-day. Among them are two girls, aged 17 and 18, both of whom were wounded in action. The younger one was hit seven times.—Reuter.

### *INSIDE BULGARIA*

CAIRO, April 30.

Reuter's special correspondent cables:

The welding of Bulgarian opposition groups into a united underground front against the pro-Nazi Regent and the Bozhilov Government as Russian armies prepare for the decisive Balkans battle is disclosed by reliable reports reaching here to-day. The new movement now commands the support of almost the ehtire Bulgarian left-wing and elements from wavering centre parties.—Reuter.

### Yugoslav's R. A. F. Contingent

CAIRO, April 30

An R.A.F. 'communique' to-day said: 'An agreement has been reached between the R.A.F. and Marshal Tito whereby a special Yugoslav contingent will be formed to operate within the framework of the R.A.F. The personnel has already been specially selected by Marshal Tito for this purpose.

Yugoslav volunteers from other sources may also be recruited to the contingent if found suitable. The agreement also provides that the contingent shall join the Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve and was signed at Cairo by Air Officer Command-in-Chief, Middle East, Air Marshal Sir Keith Park and Colonel Franjo Piric, Tito's Chief of Air Staff.

## *MAHATMA'S CONDITION IMPROVES*

### Bidhon Roy Allowed To See Gandhiji

*BOMBAY, April 30.—A Bombay Government communique says:—"Mr. Gandhi's condition has continued to improve. No further bulletin will be issued unless necessary.*

*Dr. B. C. Roy, who happens to be passing through Poona, has made a request to be allowed to examine Mr. Gandhi and this request has been granted."*

**ROY TO EXAMINE MAHATMA ON MONDAY**

BOMBAY, April 30: The "United Press" learns that Dr. B. C. Roy will examine Mahatma Gandhi to-morrow morning.

It appears Major-General Candy Surgeon-General to the Government of Bombay, met Dr. Roy this morning and had consultations about the latest condition of Gandhiji's health Dr. Roy is leaving for Poona to-night and returning to Bombay to-morrow.

### Malaviya Calls For Prayers

ALLAHABAD, April 29: Pt. Madan Mohan Malaviya on learning that Mahatma Gandhi's condition is causing anxiety and that Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan is seriously ill, has appealed to his countrymen of all shades of opinion to organise prayers for the recovery of both Mahatma Gandhi and Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan in a statement.

### Chinese Reach Outskirts Of Mihsien

CHUNGKING, April 29

Chinese troops counter-attacking in northern Honan reached the outskirts of Mihsien, south-west of Chengchow on the morning of April 26 states to-day's Chinese "communique". In the Shihkuchen sector about 40 miles south of Chengchow and slightly to the west of the Peking-Hankow railway, reinforced Japanese troops attacked but were repulsed.

West of Chengchow the Japanese have occupied part of the Hulao Pass, between the Lunchai railway and the Yellow River, although the actual pass is said to be still in Chinese hands.—Reuter.

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# WORK OF REMOVAL OF DEBRIS IN FULL SWING

## 2,500 Destitutes Are Still Being Attended To In Municipal Relief Centres

BOMBAY, Sunday.

It was Chathu Kutti, an evacuee from Bombay, bidding farewell to one of the eight Municipal relief centres which had rendered him aid since the explosion and fire havoc of April 14. He stood speechless, unable to express his gratitude to those who had helped him with food, clothing and a railway ticket. In two or three days he expected to be with his people in a distant village on the Malabar coast. He had hardly any belongings to carry to his village. All that he had as worldly possession were a new dhoti and a shirt given at the relief centre and Rs. 2 as expenses during the journey.

Chathu Kutti was only one among the 504 evacuees to be sent out of Bombay at the expense of the Municipal relief centre. Each had been given railway fare plus a rupee per day while the travel lasted. In case of children, an allowance of 8 annas per day had been given. While Chathu left for Malabar, the others who entered the centres as destitutes travelled to distant places like Gulbarga, Rampur, Canjeevaram, Katni, Cutch and Wadhwan.

OTHER RELIEF AGENCIES.

It is not the Municipal Relief Committee alone which has been assisting destitutes to leave the city for their native villages. The Muslim League Centre which has been attending to a large number of citizens who have been rendered helpless after the explosion and fire, has helped nearly 125 evacuees. There are other agencies working too in this type of rescue service.

While a few hundreds have left the city, as many as 2,500 destitutes are still spread over in the eight relief centres of the Municipality. They are clothed, fed and medically attended to. When a suffering citizen comes to the centre for relief, he is promptly supplied with a dhoti, shirt and blanket. He can also ask for oil and a mirror. Women destitutes are supplied with sarees while children receive suitable clothing.

REST CENTRES.

For the first few days after the fires, the Municipal Relief Committee had also established what were called the rest centres. These were for temporary relief purposes. Seven of them were closed down on the 28th instant because there was no more need for temporary centres, after the establishment of eight full-fledged relief centres. Municipal relief work is being conducted now at two centres at Dongri, one centre at Nagpada, one centre at Imamwada, one at Dadar-Kumbharwada, one at Lord Harris School at Dhobitalao, one at Kamatipura and one at Khetwadi.

The Relief Centres had a windfall during the week-end when Sir Jamshed Duggan, Mrs. F. S. Talyarkhan and Capt. Wajifdar paid a surprise visit. They promised to send on behalf of the Red Cross Committee of Bombay 1,000 cotton blankets, 1,600 yards of cloth for children, and 500 sarees. They have also arranged for a large stock of medicines to be kept at the different camps.

The Governor of Bombay, accompanied by the Commissioner of Police toured on Sunday noon the area affected by the explosion.

The work of removal of the debris was in full swing.

# JOIN HANDS WITH CEYLONESE

## Rajaji On Struggle For Lanka's Freedom: Call To Indians

HATTON, April 29.

Indians in Ceylon should cooperate with the Ceylonese in their struggle for getting full powers from the British Government even if it meant their making certain concessions in their demands, said Mr. C. Rajagopalachari addressing in Tamil Indian estate labourers who had gathered here in their thousands for the fourth annual session of the Ceylon Indian Congress.

Mr. Rajagopalachari added that Indians could later fight it out with the Ceylonese to get whtever they wanted. He said he was giving advice on the same lines in India. Let Muslims be given what they want and when the British give up control of India the Muslims of their own accord come forward for a settlement of differences. He was giving this advice, added Mr. Rajagopalachari, as it would be difficult to get the same concessions from the British.

ILLUSORY DIFFERENCES.

Explaining that the differences between the Indians and the Ceylonese were only illusory, caused by a strip of sea separating the two countries, he said that England and Scotland had greater differences. Ceylon had to link herself with India to get full freedom. Otherwise Ceylon would be a British State.

Remarking on the fact that Mr. Aziz had been re-elected President of the Congress without opposition for the third time, the Indian leader said that persons at the top should change every year, for an organisation to have long life should be independent of any individual.

Earlier Mr. Rajagopalachari hoisted the Congress Tricolour Flag. This was followed by the presidential address by Mr. Aziz. Mr. Rajagopalachari was presented with a purse of Rs. 1,001 contributed by the Hatton Merchants Association towards the Kasturbai Memorial Fund.—A. P.

## Unity Of Indian Culture

The inherent unity of India amidst apparent diversities of religion, language and colour was emphasised by Mr. C. Rajagopalachari in a lecture on "Unity of India" at a meeting under the auspices of the local Y. M. C. A. forum this evening. The hall was packed to capacity and among those present were Mr. Bandarnaike and Mr. George De Silva, two of Ceylon's Board of Ministers and Raja Sir Annamalai Chettiar who is now on a visit to Ceylon.

Mr. Rajagopalachariar said that although differences were bound to exist in the behaviour of the people in a country like India there was unity of culture.

Explaining his advocacy of conceding to Muslims their right to separate, Mr. Rajagopalachari said that there would be no such thing as an independent nation in modern world and a division of administrative arrangement need not frighten anybody because there was fundamental unity which would keep the people together.

Mr. Rajagopalachari proceeds to Hatton to-morrow to attend the two days session of the Ceylon-Indian Congress.—A. P.

# BHOR MERCHANTS PROTEST TO GOVT.

(From Our Correspondent.)

PALI, April 28.

It appears that the Bhor State has entrusted all the rights of purchase and sale of grains to the Merchants' Association here. In spite of this Mr. Natwarlal Shet has purchased 120 bags of Nachani grain and exported the same through lorries. When objection was raised about ignoring the Merchants' Association and doing this business direct. A permit signed by the Dewan was shown.

It was pointed out that the Dewan could not issue a permit in the face of the Merchants' Association who was duly authorized to deal in these matters.

When a complaint was lodged with the Mamlatdars, he passed orders to unload all the Nachani Grains and detained them. A meeting of the shareholders of the Association is being convened at the residence of Mr. Limaye. People are experiencing great hardships as no arrangement is made to bring controlled goods from outside.

BOMBAY, April 28: An earthquake shock of great intensity with its epicentre about 4,290 miles away from Bombay near latitude 7 degrees south longitude 131 degrees east in the south-east island to the west of New Guinea was recorded by the seismographs at the Colaba Observatory, Bombay, at 21-19 hours I. S. T. on Thursday, April 27.

# *MADRAS EDITOR RELEASED*

*MADRAS, April 30: Mr. Kasa 'Subba Rao, Editor, 'Free Press' a detenu in the Tanjore Special Jail, who was released yesterday unconditionally, arrived in Madras today.—A. P.*

### TWO M.L.A.S RELEASED.

VELLORE, April 29: Srimati Kuttimalu Amma, M.L.A., who was a detenu in the Vellore Women's Jail was released today.

Srimati Anjalai Ammal, M.L.A., was also released today on the expiry of her full term of imprisonment.—A. P.

### COLLECTIVE FINES.

PATNA, April 30: A collective fine of Rs. 5,000 has been imposed on the inhabitants of Village Behat in Darbhanga District, says a 'Bihar Gazette Extraordinary', for failing to render assistance in discovering or apprehending the offenders concerned in raiding and looting cash and other articles of the post office in the Han Harpu Bazar on 7th April, 1944.—A. P.

### RELEASED FROM SABARMATI.

SURAT April 29: Ashabhai Shankerbhai Patel of Surat and Jayakrisina Shukal and Harshabhai of Bardoli have been released from the Sabarmati Jail.—A. P.

### MISS MANIBEN PATEL JAILED

SURAT, April 30: Miss Maniben Patel, daughter of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, was sentenced to ten months' R. I. and Srimati Ichaben Desai to six months' R. I. by the City Magistrate of Surat yesterday—A. P.

## Nazimuddin's Call To Strengthen League

JAMOOEE (Gaya), April 29.

"The need for strong, active and well-organised District Muslim League in every district of Bihar is the most urgent, for you are in a minority here and outside the Pakistan zone. You can best safeguard your rights and preserve your religion, culture and tradition only by being a well-organised body".

Thus declared Sir Nazimuddin, Premier of Bengal, presiding over the Jamooee Muslim League Conference.

Sir Nazimuddin stressed: "The only way in which we can maintain the interest of the general mass in the League is by making the League only a Muslim organisation responsible for all social, political and religious activities. All other Muslim organisations should agree to come under the general supervision of the League". He felt that the resolution like the one adopted at the United Provinces Provincial League calling upon all Muslim members of the Legislature to join the Muslim League Party within three months failing which they would not be eligible to stand on the League ticket at any future election.

He stressed the demand for a separate Muslim electorates in local self-governing institutions.—United Press.

### BENGAL LEAGUE CHING OPTIMISTIC.

CALCUTTA, April 29: The fight between the Muslim League and Unionists in the Punjab is a fight between the progressive elements of Muslim India and the agents of British Imperialism, says the President of the Bengal Provincial Muslim League, Maulana Mohammad Akrum Khan, in a statement on recent developments in the Punjab.

He adds that it is a reaction to the defeat that Lord Wavell's Government sustained at the hand of the Muslim League in the Central Legislature.

Maulana Akrum Khan is confident that the Muslim League "will reconquer the Punjab very soon, as they have done in Bengal".—A. P.

## Madras Satrap On When War Will End

SALEM, April 27: "Both Germany and Japan must be taught the lessons of war waged in their own lands and their military ideology must be crushed root and branch. There can be no peace till this is done." declared H. E. Sir Arthur Hope, Governor of Madras addressing a public meeting to-night. His Excellency said he very much hoped that the war in Europe would end in 1945, while the defeat of the Japanese might take a little longer.—A. P.

### OPPOSITION TO HINDU NARRIAGE AND SUCCESSION BILLS

PATNA, April 30.

The proposed amendment of the Hindu law by the enactment of the Hindu Intestate Succession Bill and the Hindu Marriage Bill was strongly opposed as being an indirect violation of the Hindu Shastras and repugnant to all established usages and customs of the Hindu society and culture by a resolution passed at the 33rd session of the Maithili Mahasabha held at Bahiera in North Bihar; Rai Bahadur Visheshwar Singh of Darbhanga presiding.

The resolution requested the Government to disband the Hindu Law Amendment Committee and in future not to undertake any such legislation without consulting the opinion of the Hindus.—A. P.

### FIRE IN GOODS DAGON AT DELHI STATION

NEW DELHI, April 29: Fire broke out this afternoon in a goods wagon stationed at Delhi railway godown. The fire brigade fought the flames for half an hour. The cause of fire is not yet definitely known but it is stated that it originated from a drum of acid placed in a wagon. Only slight damage was done.—A. P.


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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

# The progress of RATIONING

This chart shows the cities, towns and areas that are fully rationed already or in active preparation for rationing:—

**ASSAM**
1. Shillong

**BENGAL**
1. Calcutta, Howrah & 29 Suburban Municipalities
2. Chittagong
3. Dacca
4. Mymensingh

**BIHAR**
1. Patna
2. Gaya
3. Arrah
4. Dhanbad
5. Jamshedpur

**BOMBAY**
1. Bombay City & 4 Suburban Municipalities
2. Ahmedabad
3. Poona
4. Sholapur
5. Surat
6. Dhulia
7. Nandurbar

**C. P. & BERAR**
1. Nagpur
2. Jubbulpore

**MADRAS**
1. Madras City
2. Madras Suburban area including Saidapet Municipality
3. Coimbatore
4. Calicut
5. Salem
6. Trichinopoly Cum-Srirangam
7. Madura
8. Nellore
9. Vizagapatam
10. Vizianagaram
11. Tiruppur
12. Erode
13. Cannanore
14. Tellicherry
15. Coonoor
16. Tuticorin
17. Cuddapah
18. Proddatur
19. Virudhunagar
20. Chingleput
21. Conjeevaram
22. Anakapalli
23. Tirupattur
24. Gudiyattam
25. Wallajah
26. Tiruvannamalai
27. Vaniyambad
28. Karur
29. Ootacamund
30. Chicacole
31. Bimilipatam
32. Kurnool
33. Nandyal
34. Adoni
35. Bellary
36. Hospet
37. Hindupur
38. Anantpur
39. Tadpatri
40. Chittoor
41. Tirupati
42. Dindigul
43. Kodaikanal
44. Udipi
45. Devakottai
46. Karaikudi
47. Cochin (British)
48. Sivakasi
49. Srivilliputtur
50. Palni

**N.W.F.P.**
1. Peshawar

**ORISSA**
1. Puri
2. Berhampur
3. Sambalpur
4. Cuttack

**PUNJAB**
1. Amritsar
2. Rawalpindi
3. Lahore

**SIND**
1. Karachi.
2. Hyderabad

**U.P.**
1. Cawnpore
2. Lucknow
3. Benares
4. Agra
5. Allahabad
6. Bareilly
7. Shahjahanpur
8. Jhansi
9. Moradabad
10. Meerut
11. Gorakhpur
12. Aligarh
13. Debra Dun
14. Mussoorie
15. Saharanpur
16. Hardwar
17. Muttra
18. Furrukhabad
19. Etawah
20. Mirzapur
21. Jaunpore
22. Nainital
23. Almora
24. Ranikhet
25. Fyzabad
26. Hathras
27. Firozabad
28. Ghazipur
29. Mau
30. Azamgarh
31. Ballia
32. Rae Bareli
33. Unao
34. Deoria
35. Roorkee
36. Partabgarh
37. Sultanpur

**DELHI PROVINCE**
1. New Delhi & Delhi

**AJMER-MERWARA**
1. Ajmer City

**BALUCHISTAN**
1. Quetta-Pishin

**ADMINISTERED AREAS**
1. Mhow Cantt.
2. Abu
3. C.&M. Station Bangalore

**STATES**
1. Bhavanagar
2. Bhopal
3. Cochin
4. Travancore
5. Dewas Senior
6. Dewas Junior
7. Dhar
8. Gwalior
9. Hyderabad (Dn.)
10. Indore
11. Kashmir
12. Mysore
13. Rajgarh
14. Ratlam
15. Sitamau
16. Akalkot
17. Jath
18. Miraj
19. Sangli
20. Banganapalle
21. Jafarabad
22. Rajkot
23. Kurwai State
24. Sachin State (Gujarat)

*Progress to date covers 146 towns—2,50,00,000 people.*

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| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Bombay Province | ... | 7 towns |
| Madras " | ... | 50 " |
| Assam " | ... | 1 " |
| Bengal " | ... | 4 " |
| Bihar " | ... | 5 " |
| C.P. & Berar | ... | 2 " |
| N.W.F.P. " | ... | 1 " |
| Orissa " | ... | 4 " |
| Punjab " | ... | 3 " |
| Sind " | ... | 2 " |
| U.P. " | ... | 37 " |
| Delhi " | ... | 1 " |
| Ajmer-Merwara | ... | 1 " |
| Baluchistan | ... | 1 " |
| Administered Areas | ... | 3 " |
| States | ... | 24 " |
| Total | | 146 |

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### To-day's Engagements

MAZDAZNAN YOUTH MOVEMENT: Youths on "Conscience—The Measure of Nobility" at Mazdaznan Hall, opposite Churchgate Station, 6-30 p.m.

ST. MICHAEL'S HIGH SCHOOL, MAHIM: Prize distribution and Parents' Day 6-30 p.m. Mr. I. H. Taunton, Adviser to Governor, will preside.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION: A meeting at 6-15 p.m. at Thackersey House, Ballard Estate in connection with the recent explosions. The Patron Sir B. Rama Rau will attend.

IMPERIAL HIGH SCHOOL: Parents' Day Gathering at 5-30 p.m. (N. S. T.), Dr. M. B. Veikar, will preside and Mrs. Veikar will give away prizes.

RADICAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY: Public meetings at Saitanchouki Dongri and Mazgaon to celebrate May Day. Sale of flags throughout the day.

BAITU-ATFALIL MUSLIMEEN (MUSLIM CHILDREN'S HOME): Inaugural meeting and the Variety Entertainment on Thursday, 4th May at 6 p.m. (S. T.) Sunderbai Hall.

SALUTATION: To those brave men and true of the Fire Brigade, the Salvage Corps, the Merchant Navy and the Bombay Port Trust and the Allied Services, who, on the 14th April, 1944, fought to their last the devouring flames with unflinching courage, singleness of purpose and devotion to duty do we bow down in respectful admiration.

Inserted by the Bombay Port Trust Officers' Association.

COMMUNISTS' BOMBAY COMMITTEE: May Day on the Kamgar Maidan, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. There will be a meeting presided over by Mr. P. G. Joshi, General Secretary of the Party. Mr. B T. Ranadive will address. Reception will be accorded to Mr. S. V. Ghate who was recently released from the Rajamundry Jail. The Cultural Squad of the People's Relief Committee, Bengal, will give its complete programme at this meeting. This will include a play, dances, action songs and songs, all depicting conditions in Bengal today. No tickets will be charged for the cultural performance.

May Day will be observed by the dock workers under the auspices of Bombay Port and Dock Workers Union at 5-30 p.m. in the Dongre Maidan in front of Derby Cinema.

KERALITES' ENROLMENT CAMPAIGN: A vigorous campaign to enrol members for the Bombay Keraleeya Samaj will be launched from May 1 to 15, when volunteers will approach Keralites in city for enrolment.

The Samaj has a well-equipped library and reading room and is running classes in Hindustani. It proposes to start classes in Gujarati, Marathi, Tamil and Urdu in addition to the literacy classes for the illiterate Malayalees. Its sports activities are being re-organised and it will have very soon a sports club.

### SOVIET EXHIBITION

The Soviet Exhibition organised by the Friends of the Soviet Union, Bombay, at the Kamgar Maidan, Parel will not remain open today (May 1st) after 7 p.m. in the evening.

It will, however, remain open tomorrow, May 2nd, during the usual hours, 9 to 12 in the morning and 4 to 9 in the evening. No entrance fees will be charged.

### NAGINDAS THANKS CALCUTTA MAYOR.

Mr. Nagindas T. Master, Mayor of Bombay, has sent a telegram to the Mayor of Calcutta thanking the citizens of Calcutta on behalf of the citizens of Bombay for Calcutta's deep concern and sympathy for the huge loss of lives and property due to explosions and fires that occurred in Bombay and also conveying his thanks to the Mayor of Calcutta for the donation of Rs. 10,000 out of the Calcutta Mayor's Famine Relief Fund for the relief of the distress.

### SARASWAT VIDYARTHI SAHAYAK MANDALI.

The Managing Committee of the Saraswat Vidyarthi Sahayak Mandali invite applications from poor and deserving students of the Gowd Saraswat Brahman community for scholarships for 1944-45, on the prescribed form so as to reach the Hon. Secretaries not later than May 31, 1944.

Students who are already on the Mandali's list and who are in need of help must also submit fresh applications on the printed form before the aforesaid date. Those students whose university examination results are not known by that time, must also send in their applications on the Mandali's printed form before 31-5-44 but should submit their results under the signature of the head of the institutions where they are studying as soon as the results are out.

The Mandali reserves a certain number of scholarships for technical education.

Printed application forms can be had from the Hon. Secretaries of the Mandali, Chikitsaka Samaha Building, Kandewadi, Bombay, 4, on any week day between 6 and 8 p.m. (N. S. T.)

### IDEAL NURSING HONE

Before a gathering of Bombay Medicos Mr. Motichand Kapadia, leader of the Congress Party in the Bombay Municipal Corporation, performed the opening ceremony of the Ideal Nursing Home of Dr. Sumatilal Mehta at Zaveri Building, 12th lane, Khetwadi Back Road on Sunday morning.

During the recent illness of Mr. Yusuf J. Meherally, Dr. Mehta rendered the best medical services to him.

### ST. MARY'S ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL.

The annual prize distribution of St. Mary's English High School came off on Saturday evening with Mr. I. H. Taunton, Adviser to the Governor of Bombay, presiding. Mr. Taunton congratulated the authorities upon their 100 per cent Matriculation results.

Rev. Father T. Moliner, S.J. Headmaster, who reviewed the activities of the school referred to the increasing number of students and emphasized the need of expanding the school premises, for which he said, plans were already under way. He appealed to the parents of the past as well as the present students to subscribe to the building fund.

Khan Bahadur Molvi who spoke on "Choice of career for boys" envisaged a great demand for technically trained persons after the war.

### *Keki And Sohrab Modi Felicitated*

BOMBAY, Sunday.

"I shall not produce any film that will not advance my country's interest in one way or other. The cultural value of films is great and it needs to be preserved and cultivated. That is my resolution and policy even if I have to be a poor man"

This was one of Mr. Sorab Modi's observations at the reception held in his honour and that of his brother Mr. Keki Modi on the conclusion of their having completed 25 years of work in the world of films. Mr. Sohrab Modi requested story writers to send him plots of social or historical value that would be conducive to the progress of the country in the course of his remarks.

The reception was held at Excelsior Theatre on Sunday morning. Sir Jehangir Boman-Behram was in the chair. The Modi brothers received numerous presents and garlands and boquets. An address was also presented to Keki and Sohrab Modi.

Among those who spoke were Mr. N. N. Engineer, Sardar Khan Bahadur Dastur Noshirwan, Dr. Choksey, Mr. Eraoh Golwala, Mr. Mohanlal Desai Mr. Nariman Patel, Mr. Daniel, Munshi Fatehkhan and Mr. Jamnadas Udani. All the speeches were either in Gujarati or Hindustani.

The guests who packed the Excelsior Theatre were shown 'Prithwi Vallab' after the meeting.

## IN AID OF VICTIMS OF BOMBAY TRAGEDY

### U. S. Army Show

A special U.S. Army entertainment troupe, fresh from a whirlwind tour of North Africa and southern Italy, will stage a musical and comedy revue entitled 'Hey Rookie,' at 9-15 p.m. today (Monday) at Town Hall, for the benefit of victims of the Bombay disaster.

The show, which General Eisenhower saw and called a 'great show', will be under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor of Bombay and is sponsored by the American Association of Western India in co-operation with Captain Melvyn Douglas, Special Services Section, Headquarters, U.S. Army.

(Tickets are on sale at the Ritz Hotel. Prices are Rs. 25, 20, 15 and 10.)

Cast in the style of Irving Berlin's famous "This Is The Army," Monday night's entertainment is one of the fast-paced, slickly professional mirth and music revues for which the U.S. Army's entertainment section is noted. Before going on foreign tour, it ran 22 weeks straight in Hollywood, capital of the amusement world.

The Yardbirds boast an impressive list of honorary members. President Roosevelt has their emblem on his desk in Washington. Prime Minister Churchill was accorded honorary membership. A correspondent for 'Union Jack,' a British daily, covered the show. He reported: "I saw the slickest show ever presented in Algiers Monday afternoon. It was like going back to the London Palladium during its pre-war all-star variety shows."

The soldiers of 'Hey Rookie!' are a highly mobile, self-contained enertainment unit. There are 65 men in the club, including a 20-piece orchestra, the actors themselves, and the stagehands. The last named in off hours double in brass as the unit's tailor, barber, carpenters, plumbers, electricians, kitchen staff and helpers.

### MORE HELP FROM CALCUTTA.

CALCUTTA, April 29: The Gujarati Seva Samity, Calcutta, have sent Rs 25,000 to the Mayor of Bombay for relief of the people in that city rendered homeless by the recent fire.—A. P.

### *GREAT LOSS TO FIRE BRIGADE*

### *Glowing Tributes To Palamkote's Memory*

Glowing tributes were paid to the memory of the late Mr. Rustom P. Paltmkote, by Mr. M. D. Bhat, Municipal Commissioner of Bombay and Mr. N. Coombs, Chief Officer Commanding Bombay Fire Brigade at a variety entertainment organised by the pupils of Sarkari's Physical Culture Health Home, which came off at the Framji Cowasji Institute, Dhobi Talao, on Sunday evening. A souvenir on behalf of the Health Home was bestowed on the deceased station officer's son, Jehangir, in token of his father's intimate connection with the Home.

The souvenir was a silver plate on which was engraved a pillar surrounded by a fire, and a fireman standing on the top of a ladder, and battling with the flames by means of a hose.

The pupils of the Home of entertained the audience with a programme of various feats of strength.

Requesting the Municipal Commissioner to present the souvenir, Mr. Coombs said that Palamkote was one of those officers who could safely be relied on to carry out his orders.

Presenting the souvenir Mr. Bhat stated that Palamkote was one among those who had laid down their lives and had thus added a new chapter of heroism in the history of Fire Brigade in Bombay. He was a loyal officer, by whose death the Fire Brigade had lost an outstanding personality.

Mr. E. Palamkote, the brother of the deceased thanked all for the posthumous honour done to his brother.

### Bombay Public Must Demand Compensation

Mr. L. G Thatte, Working President of the Girgaum Dist Hindu Sabha in a statement to the press says:—

Taking into consideration Government's silence on the question of compensation, it is advisible that people in Bombay should make the demand of compensation as urgently and boldly as possible. In a meeting of some pominent citizens of Girgaum it was demanded that the Allies should bear the burden of compensation. Similar resolutions in different Wards and Institutions in Bombay are necessary. A public meeting called thereafter would be highly useful in furtherance of this cause

### PROPERTY-OWNERS WARNED

Mr. C. A. Goregaokar, Jt. Hon. Secretary, Property-Owners' Association, Bombay, writes:—

The attention of the members of the Association is drawn to Section 153 of the City of Bombay Municipal Act which requires the property-owners to give notice in writing of demolition or partial demolition of properties to the Municipal Commissioner. Members whose properties have been demolished as a result of recent explosions and fires in the City, should give notice thereof to the Commissioner as otherwise they will continue to be liable to pay all property taxes.

### ARMED DACOITY IN SIND VILLAGE

KARACHI, April 30.

A report from Dadu states that a gang of dacoits armed with guns raided the village of Changani, in Dadu Taluka, at dead of night. After terrorising the villagers by firing shots in the air, the dacoits looted a house and ordered the inmates to carry the booty to a rendezvous outside the village. Here the unfortunate victims were allowed to drop their loads and go back.—A. P.

### Khare's Plea For Naval College On Konkan Coast

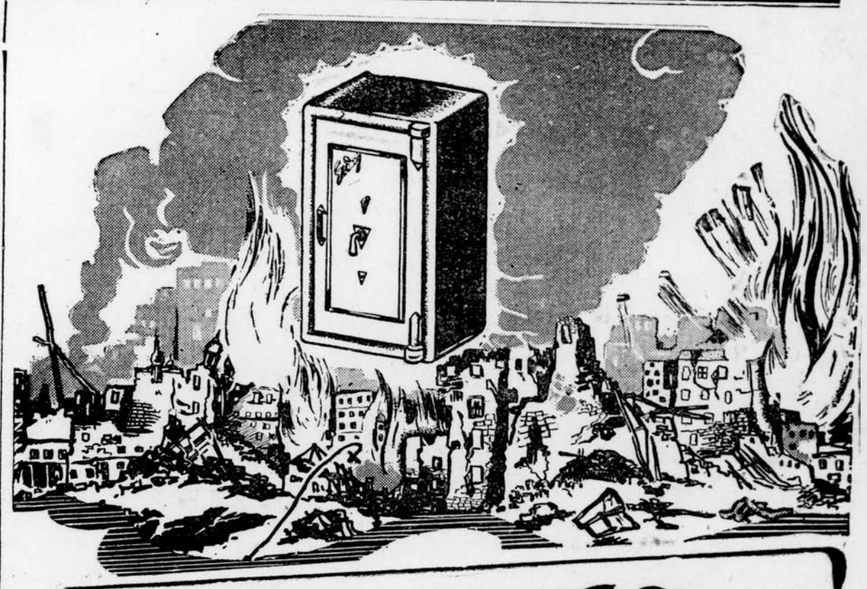
RATNAGIRI, April 29: The need for a naval college on the Konkan coast, which has a long and glorious tradition of naval and commercial enterprise was stressed by Dr. N. B. Khare, Member for Commonwealth Affairs, Government of India, in the course of his address today to the All-India Chitpawan Brahmin Vidyarthi Sahayak Mandal. Dr. Khare urged that efforts should be made in this direction. Paying tributes to the military traditions of the Chitpawans, Dr. Khare urged them to join the defence forces of the country.

Dr. Khare made a passing reference to the political deadlock in the country and said it was due to the activities of persons who placed the community above the nation.—A. P.

NEW DELHI, April 29: A five-year plan for the proper development and exploitation of fisheries of India has been prepared by Dr. Baini Prashad, Director, Zoological Survey of India, for submission to the Reconstruction (Policy) Committee on Agriculture, Forests and Fisheries.—A. P.

### ONE KILLED IN CART TRAIN CLASH.

BOMBAY, April 30: One person was killed and another injured when a bullock cart was knocked down by the 24 Up Passenger Train yesterday between Bardoli and Madhi, wires the District Traffic Superintendent, Bulsar.—A. P.



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## ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, April 29.

Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at eight hours on 25-4-44:—

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## A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

*God grants liberty only to those who live it, and are always ready to guard and defend it.*

—Daniel Webster.

The Bombay Chronicle

## CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES

Some important constitutional issues have been raised by the political controversy in the Punjab and they need to be dispassionately considered. The main issues are: (1) Can an All-India political party control provincial legislative parties responsible to the provincial Legislatures? (2) Can a Provincial Legislative party, pledged to a particular policy on the basis of which its members were elected, change that policy without reference to the electorate? (3) Can a Governor dismiss an individual Minister in violation of the principle of collective responsibility of the Cabinet? The first issue is not a new one. It has been discussed often and often ever since Congress appointed a Parliamentary Board not only to carry on election propaganda on the basis of a programme and policy approved by the Working Committee but also to supervise and regulate the carrying on of that programme and policy by Congress Legislative Parties. The concensus of opinion among nationalists has been that such control by the Board is necessary in the interests of a national policy, in the absence of which it would be easy for the British Government to prevent concerted action by provinces to safeguard All-India interests. Such All-India control may be less necessary when the Government of India becomes responsible to the Legislature and complete provincial autonomy is found necessary. Nor can such control be called undemocratic or an encroachment on the rights of the electorate when the electorate has, by electing Congressmen, signified its acceptance of their election programme and policy including control by a special Parliamentary Board. In view of this fact the control cannot be appropriately called dictatorial, totalitarian or authoritarian. It is, of course, understood that the All-India control should be exercised with the greatest caution and due regard to the special interests of provinces. Now, the Muslim League is seeking to follow a similar policy with regard to the League Legislative Parties. Like the Congress, the League is bound by its election pledges and policy and is free to exercise control over its Legislative Parties only to the extent the control was publicly accepted by the members of those parties at the elections.

The second issue is a simpler one, whether or not a Provincial Legislative Party, pledged to a particular policy on the basis of which its members were elected, can change that policy without reference to the electorate. This has not arisen in the case of the Congress. But it has arisen in the Punjab, where Mr. Jinnah is attempting to control the policy of League Party in the province. As we have said above, his right is only to the extent the control was publicly accepted by the members of his party at the election. At the general elections only two members were elected on the League ticket. Most other Muslim members being elected on the Unionist ticket. A number of the latter have since joined the Muslim League, but without prejudice to their election pledges. Indeed, they cannot violate those pledges. If they have changed their policy, which they have every right to do, they should resign and seek re-election on the basis of their new policy.

As regards the dismissal of an individual minister by the Punjab Governor, we have already expressed our view that it is utterly unconstitutional. Captain Shaukat Hyat Khan has since stated that his signed resignation was with the Premier for over a week. The Premier should throw more light on this intriguing episode. Till then we shall reserve our further comments on the subject.

## Organise Prayers

The Bombay Government's communique, issued on Saturday, about Gandhiji's health stated that it showed a fair degree of improvement since Friday but that he "had still a considerable degree of anaemia". Sunday's communique says that his "condition has continued to improve" and that no further bulletin will be issued unless necessary. Government seem determined to hold him a prisoner rather than allow his release. Many Labour and Liberal Members of Parliament are reported to have been much perturbed by the news of Gandhiji's health. It is also reported that London's Indian political organisation, the Swaraj House, has sent the following telegram to Dominion Premiers, General Smuts, Mr. Fraser and Mr. Mckenzie King, now in London:—"On behalf of the Indian community in Great Britain we request you to kindly use your good offices and secure the immediate release of our great national leader Gandhiji whose health is causing grave anxiety." The way the British Government is dealing with Gandhiji after all that has happened is perhaps a record of its kind. We do not know what is the latest condition of Khan Abdul Ghaffer Khan's health. Pandit Malaviya has appealed to the country to organise prayers for the recovery of both the leaders. We can only hope public prayers will not be banned.

## A Cultural War Casualty

The Trustees of the Prince of Wales Museum of Western India have, as it appears from its annual report for 1942-43, adopted all the necessary measures to safeguard the rare and valuable exhibits against the danger of the war. The museum continued its usual activities on a limited scale and recorded 2600 as the daily average attendance against 1121 of the preceding year. The noteworthy acquisition during the year was a gift of fifty-seven paintings and six old documents, eleven "qatas" and three "waflis" from the collection of the late Sir Akbar Hydari. Realisation by the Trustees of the necessity of keeping the museum open during the war in spite of its depleted strength is evident in the following remark in the report: "In the Art and Archaeological sections, the depleted cases have been, as far as practicable, refilled with objects of less value and importance and with duplicates from reserve material. Some displays have thus been temporarily set up, so that the museum may, as in the case of similar institutions in England under the present conditions, continue its service to the public, if on a somewhat reduced scale."

But the institution has now, contrary to the expectations of the Trustees, appeared on the list of the cultural casualties of the war. The Director of Public Information, Bombay, has announced in a press note that the museum will accommodate the Red Cross Society and that the main building will, therefore, be closed for the duration of the war. The only portion, which will remain open, will be the extension on the east side which is occupied by the Natural History section and the Mohen-jo-daro antiquities. Probably the Trustees never anticipated the frustration of their hopes at the hands of officialdom. The popular reaction to the step taken by the Government is bound to be one of exasperation.

We cannot refrain from observing that the Government have failed to differentiate between a luxury and an educational necessity and have, in their anxiety to offer accommodation to the Red Cross Society, trampled upon the cultural interests of the people and have greatly curtailed the educational functions of an institution which is the only one of its type in Bombay. The museum belongs to the category of institutions which are indispensable to the people especially during the times of the war; and the fraction of the same which the Government have been graciously pleased to leave open to the public will not make up for the wartime loss of the main building. The curtailment of the educational scope of the institution as a result of the protective measures was unavoidable, but the requisitioning of the main building could have been avoided by providing accommodation to the Red Cross Society elsewhere. We draw the attention of the Government to the urgency of reversing their decision.

## FRANKLY SPEAKING

### The Battle Of Kohima

The final struggle for ousting the Japanese from the hilly tracts in and around Kohima in which they have entrenched themselves is in full swing and with the heavy punishment they are receiving at the hands of the Allied bombers, they are bound to discover very shortly that their temporary success had been purchased at too dear a price. South of Kohima also, the Allied pressure is driving the Japanese troops steadily back towards the Burma frontier in the Ukhrul region. Still further south, where the Japanese have been attempting to get astride the Bishenpur-Silchar track with a view to bypass Imphal, heavy fighting is reported to be in progress. The Japanese will no doubt make desperate efforts to retain the positions they have already secured on the track, since, if they succeed in pushing further west and reach the railhead at Silchar, they will be at least in a position to menace the safety of the Bengal-Assam Railway in its southern sector. It is to be hoped that the Allied troops in this region are in sufficient strength and will be able to frustrate the Japanese design without much difficulty.

### His Master's Voice

The lessons of the past four years of European travail have evidently been lost on Marshal Petain. Either his Nazi masters have allowed him to see too little or in his advanced age and virtual imprisonment he has become incapable of grasping the true significance of events. He is still harping on the "dangers of Bolshevism", repeating parrot-wise the Nazi propagandist slogan. There is little likelihood of his warnings to his countrymen against the threat of civil war being heeded by the latter, for whatever hopes they may have entertained two or three years ago that they would be spared the horrors of war through the "protection" afforded them by the might of German arms, those hopes must have evaporated into thin air by now in the face of the repeated baptisms of fire they are receiving at the hands of Allied aircraft. Further they must be heartily sick of the Nazi regime of terror and praying for the day of deliverance from the slavery into which they had been sold by Petain and his gang.

## BENGAL MAY FACE ANOTHER FAMINE

### Dr. B. C. Roy's Appeal For Relief At City Doctors' Gathering

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Dr. B. C. Roy, President, the Bengal Relief Co-ordination Committee, made an appeal this evening at the National Medical College, to a gathering of doctors to help the men and women stricken by the famine, in every possible manner.

Dr. R. N. Cooper presided.

Dr. Roy recalled that ever since the fall of Burma, medical relief among other kinds of relief was an important need of Bengal.

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad had organised the Civilian Protection Committee. The Government stopped all relief organisations working under this body except the medical relief bodies.

He narrated the disappointments and frustrations which he encountered at this time when he sent a unit to Assam to help the evacuees, at the hands of Government. Ultimately when they were allowed to function, the doctors and the volunteers did most excellent work, which included even grave-digging, and stretcher-bearing.

Next was the bombing of Calcutta, when again the relief organisations under him did good and brave work.

When last year, Bengal was faced with a food crisis leading on to a epidemics, a number of relief committees did good work. But for lack of co-ordination, there was duplication of work and uneven distribution of relief. As regards the handling of relief by the Government, it followed such a rigid system, that it could not properly fulfil its objective.

The Government agreed to give them about a 1,000 lbs. of quinine. Later they gave another 500 lbs., both quantities being paid for by the Bengal Relief Committee.

AGREEMENT WITH GOVERNMENT

Now they had come to the agreement by which the Government would sell them at the rate of 10 lbs. for every centre they opened. They had opened about 58 centres so far—each centre being composed of one doctor, one nurse or compounder, and a batch of six to eight volunteers.

But the work they had so far done only touched the fringe of the problem. The position in the Bengal was still grave. Rice still sold at Rs. 16 or 17 per maund. Wheat, oil, ghee and other commodities were proportionately high priced.

The people who were most affected by this were, the farmers and villagers. While, the men in factories got increased wages, the peasants derived no such benefits.

There was even the possibility of another famine. Some causes operating for it were, the stoppage of imports from Burma, the destruction of grain in the Midnapore floods, Government's policy of freezing large stocks, and the Government's denial policy" of dislocating transport by country crafts.

In conclusion, he said "Though this is the work of the State, posterity will not forgive us, if we sit quite."

Replying to questions, Dr. Roy said, that more than half the money collected by the Bengal Relief Committee, was collected in Bengal itself.

He also said that the University of Calcutta had agreed to grant terms to the students who undertook volunteer work.

A committee formed at the meeting for this purpose, elected Dr. R. N. Cooper as Chairman, and Dr. Naidu and Dr. Sampat as Joint Hon. Secretaries.

## *Inter-Allied Plan For Post-War Germany*

(From A Special Correspondent.)

LONDON, April 30.

According to the London Correspondent of the American newspaper "P. M." the draft of post-war plan for Germany prepared by the Armistice Commission of the Inter-Allied Committee includes the Allied control of finances and war industries and those easily convertable to war output; limitations on synthetic and plastic industries; the Allied supervision of the Nation's internal expenditure; the control of Public debt; the control of Public credit of State Banks and five most important private Banks; the liquidation of all German foreign investments for the benefit of the Allies; and the power of veto over the Reichstag should they violate disarmament provisions.

Another provision included in the draft is that all budget and budgetary debates should be public.

KARACHI, April 30: Saindino, a boatman, is reported to have been kidnapped by Hurs from his o/n house.—United Press.

TEHERAN: Iran has sent representatives headed by the National Bank Governor Mr. Ebtahaj to the present Finance Conference in Cairo dealing with Middle East inflation problems.—Reuter.

# *MILITARY TO REQUISITION CARNAC & WADI BUNDER AREAS?*

## *Indian Merchants' Chamber Appeals To Viceroy To Abandon Proposal*

The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, have sent the following telegram to the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Viceroy, on the 26th April:

Committee Indian Merchants' Chamber understand from reliable quarters as well as are informed by some of their memberbodies that the area affected by the recent disaster and lying between Carnac Bunder and Wadi Bunder is proposed to be requisitioned by the military au thorities.

### *LEAVE IT TO TRADES*

This area is the centre of the largest number of business and trade activities in the City and has been occupied for the last sixty years by such important trades amongst others by Grain and Seeds, Rice and Iron, and instead of enabling all these trades to reconstruct and rehabilitate their normal activities so essential for the economic well-being of the City, if this area is allowed to be taken up for military purposes, it will, in addition to seriously dislocating and disorganising all these trades, tremendously aggravate the distress prevailing in the City.

The Committee, therefore, appeals to H. E. the Viceroy to be pleased to take immediate steps, particularly because they are told that the proposal is being considered by responsible authorities in Bombay to-morrow and to prevail upon the military not to proceed with this proposal but leave the area in question to the trades which have worked there over half a century.

### *BASIS OF CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION*

"The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber in their telegrams to the Government of India and the Private Secretary to His Excellency the Viceroy, as well as the President of the Chamber, in the course of the interview granted to him by His Excellency the Viceroy, have emphasised the unanimous view of the commercial community and the public that it is the duty and the responsibility of the Government of India to make good all the losses resulting from the recent disaster in the City.

As the Committee have received several inquiries as to what those who have sustained losses should do to establish their claim before the evidence for that purpose is lost, the Committee consider it advisable that they should get their property, goods or stores, etc., whether insured or not, surveyed by a recognised Surveyor and obtain a necessary certificate of survey from them. In case where it might not be possible to hold any survey owing to the complete loss of property or goods, it may be desirable to make an Affidavit before a competent authority, or an Honorary Magistrate or a J.P. The Committee would like to add that these survey certificates and affidavits made in good faith would no doubt be given the weight they deserve, when the Government would consider the question of making actual payments for losses, in pursuance of the policy which they have been requested by all concerned to announce forthwith.

### Seeds' Traders Protest

Mr. Ramdas Kilachand, President of the Seeds Traders' Association Ltd., Bombay, has sent the following telegram to the Private Secretary to H. E. the Viceroy on Thursday last:

Board Seeds Traders' Association Ltd. view with grave concern reports regarding intention of Military authorities to take over areas, affected by recent disaster, lying between Carnak Bunder and Wadi Bunder. This area is the vital centre of trade and commerce in Bombay and has been occupied amongst others by such important trades as Grain, Seeds, Rice, Iron and Sugar for the last 60 years and more. My Board firmly believe that urgent and imperative need of the hour is to create confidence in the mind of the public especially merchants by announcing forthwith that recognising the responsibility of the State in the matter, the Government of India will make good all loss and damage to life, property and goods and that they will take necessary steps to restore without delay normal conditions for the resumption of trade and business in the affected areas. But if the area is allowed to be requisitioned by the Military it would, instead of enabling these trades to rehabilitate their usual activities so essential for the economic well-being of the city, dislocate and disorganise them and seriously aggravate the distress prevailing in the city, besides hampering War effort. Board therefore earnestly appeal to H. E. the Viceroy to be pleased to prevail upon the military authorities to desist from taking reported step, and to take suitable measures for allaying public anxiety."

# *10 THOUSAND CRORE PLAN X-RAYED*

The following is the concluding portion of the article by Prof. P. A. Wadia and Mr. K. T. Merchant:—

The present war has raised many issues, but one thing is certain that even in the midst of this titanic struggle, the democratic countries have not given up the basis of capitalistic economy and the war efforts consequently have been to a certain extent impaired as can be seen from the fact that most of the Government control boards and committees appointed in Great Britain and the U. S. A. are in charge of the capitalists themselves†

These capitalists who are in charge of planning production during the war have realised that as they cannot go back to conditions of pre-war free competition, it is best to devise schemes and plans of economic development which would ensure the security of the vested interests, whilst they might be regarded as sympathetic in their concern for the welfare of the masses. Thus, under the label of economic planning, they are putting forward plans like the plan of the Federation of British Industries and the Unilever plan. These plans are intended to secure the utmost help of the State for the preservation of the *status quo* in the economic sphere as far as possible and to win over the masses by their plans of saving the country from unemployment, starvation and depression.

### ATTEMPT TO GET FRESH LEASE OF LIFE

In spite of the limited industrialisation, our economy has already seen the development of the latest phase of capitalism, namely, finance capitalism and, therefore, it cannot remain far behind in this world process. The 10,000 crores plan has to be judged in the background of world trends. As all these plans aim at planning *within* the economy and not *of* the economy, can we not see in these plans an attempt of capitalism to get a fresh lease of life with active State help? So far as the capitalists are concerned, what matters to them now is increase in gross profits. For, the rate of profit cannot be increased in view of increasing accumulation of capital and narrowing field of exploitation due to increasing competition. The World War I, the drive towards autarky in the post-war period, the Great Depression and the increasing proportion of government investments as in the U.S.A. have emphasised the need for increase in gross profits. In the post-war period, competition, between nations will be more severe. England is already talking of increasing her exports in order to maintain her eye-of-the-war standard of living, but, at the same time, she is talking in terms of Beveridge security for all in the face of huge foreign debts. Similarly, in America, they are talking about raising the standard of living beyond the eve-of-the-war level and thus to keep up the boom of the war period. The Atlantic Charter and the so-called Four Freedoms emphasise the viewpoint of the highly industrialised countries like America and Britain, when equal access to raw materials is being talked of. The meaning of this seems to be clear to all but those who deceive themselves by indulging in vague talk about international co-operation.

### THEIR RECORD NOT REASSURED

The capitalists in our country clearly see the dangers ahead in the shape of intensified competition. They also foresee the possibility of checks and restraints on our industrial development under the plea of free trade and general access to raw materials. Their plan is partly a reflection of the world trend and partly the product of the growing consciousness of their own precarious position in the post-war period as against competitors from abroad. When the plan is put forward on the plea of "love for the masses," a plan "to improve the lot of the have-nots", as "the last hope for masses" etc., one stops to think as to what are the causes which have led these industrial and financial magnates suddenly to be overwhelmed by this love for the masses. Their record during the war is not reassuring. None of them has raised his voice against the inflationary methods of war finance. This is quite understandable in view of the fact that inflation means high profits for them and there is not a shadow of doubt that these rich people have become richer at the cost of masses of the people. When inflation has been working havoc among the people, these advocates of mass welfare have been content to pile up their bank balances. Nay, some—the Ahmedabad group—(one of whom is a signatory to the Report) proposed to the Bombay Industrial Disputes Court a cut in the dearness allowance of 45 per cent on the plea that they could not afford the prevailing scales while all along the industry was making unprecedented profits. To find people of this type drawing up plans for relieving India's poverty makes one sceptical. What is more significant is that, whilst they are busy making huge profits during the war, they propose the same methods of financing as part of their fifteen-year plan. There is not even a line regarding restricting profits

### AMAZING ASSUMPTION.

Coming to a cursory examination of the plan in detail, the authors of the plan naively assume that the 'per capita' income of the population will have to be increased to Rs. 74 per annum as compared with Rs 65 in 1931-32, if the rural population is to be provided with the basic necessaries of life, like food, shelter and clothing and, in addition, education and medical relief. In the 'first' place, raising of the 'per capita' income of the population as a whole is not the same thing as raising the income of the agricultural and rural population. In the 'second' place, apart from questions associated with unequal distribution, there is the amazing assumption that the general price-level at the end of the war will again result in a fall to the pre-war level of 1939. Thirdly' even if this fall in prices eventuates, no account is taken of the disastrous consequences of such a fall and the unfavourable reactions both on agriculture and industries. Finally' the authors themselves acknowledge that during the fifteen years' period for the execution of their plan, the increase in the population at the rate of five million per year would require a three-fold increase in the total national dividend to ensure a 'per capita' income of Rs. 135.

Turning to the plan for agricultural development the authors have nothing radical to suggest. Their planning is a continuation of the present-day policy of tinkering with limited expedients under a capitalist order with which we are so familiar—co-operative farming, terracing, afforestation, irrigation, better rotation of crops, better types of seeds, manure and improved implements. Let us carry out these schemes incur a non-recurring expenditure of Rs. 850 crores and a recurring expenditure of Rs. 400 crores, and we shall achieve the miracle of plenty in this land of poverty. We are not told, however, as to how the agricultural debt will be liquidated and how a peasantry living a half-starved existence will be rich enough to avail itself of all these methods of increasing the output. Moreover, the authors of the plan have not said a word about parasitic landlordism.

### WEAKEST PART.

The weakest part of our authors' plan seems to be the methods suggested for financing the estimated expenditure of Rs. 10,000 crores Trey count, 'Firstly' on the sterling claims of our country which, by the end of the war, will reach Rs. 1,000 crores. One might well characterise this source of finance as of doubtful value. Only a few days ago a paper like the 'Financial Times' London, observed in this connection: "Those who contend that India can in the future retake in imports of goods the price of a substantial part of her present war expenditure should remember that Britain cannot afford unlimited 'gratuitous' exports" If Britain could repudiate the American debt a few years ago, pleading inability to pay, she could equally, and with a clearer conscience, repudiate a debt she has incurred for the 'security' of a dependency. 'Secondly' as regards the hoarded wealth of the country, the figure of Rs. 300 crores suggested by the authors of the plan is a purely speculative figure, unless they contemplate the confiscation of the hoards of the princes and rajahs, a measure far beyond the ken of our capitalists and vested interests. In the 'thirdly' place, the Rs 600 crores from balance of trade spread over fifteen years on which tress is laid as a source of finance seems to evidence an undue optimism regarding our foreign trade in the post-war period. They seem to forget that a substantial part of our favourable balance of trade was the result of the annual payments we had to make to Great Britain for services rendered. In the 'fourth' place, the annual savings which are estimated at 6 per cent of the national income and which aggregate Rs. 4,000 crores in fifteen years are an estimate which can be saved from the realm of the fantastic only on the assumption that profits are so heavily taxed as to bring about a transformation of the economic order, such as the authors of the plan cannot contemplate with equanimity. 'Finally' 'the creation of additional purchasing power by the use of the printing press is, of course, the cheapest, but not the least dangerous method of financing—a method familiar in the desperate conditions of war, familiar also to the dictator who would not hesitate to face bankruptcy for the preservation of power.

Believing, as we do, that economic welfare of the India of the future lies in the direction of increasing socialisation of its productive and distributive machinery, no plan that does not begin with the socialisation of the banking and financial system is likely to achieve any substantial results in the direction of securing the conditions of a prosperous and good life for the nation.

†Re:—Great Britain see "Vested Interests or Common Pool" by N. E. H. Davenport, especially Appendix I—The Controllers, p. 173.

## 'PEGGING' ACT NOT TO BE REPEALED?

### Jadwat On 'Erroneous Impression Gained In India'

BOMBAY April 29.

"The impression gained in India that the Pegging Act has been or is being withdrawn is erroneous", says Mr. Mahomed Ahmed Jadwat, representative in Bombay of the Natal Indian Congress in a statement to the Press.

"The actual position is that after the creation of a Licensing Board under the Ordinance to be passed by the Natal Provincial Legislature, the provisions of the Pegging Act will not be made applicable to the city of Durban by deproclamation in the Government "Gazette". The system of residential occupation by license may be extended to other towns in Natal apart from Durban. The position in the Transvaal remains unchanged and the provisions of the Act must be complied with by the Indian community.

"Owing to the serious illness of Mr. Suleman M. Nana the Secretary of the Transvaal Indian Congress, this body was not in a position to come to some arrangement but, nevertheless, they are trying to improve the position by pursuing the subject.

"It is said that the Pegging Act will not be repealed as it is of three years' duration but will be allowed to lapse".—A. P.

## *ON RUSSIAN FRONT*

MOSCOW, April 29: To-night's Soviet "communique" says: "During April 29 there were no important changes on any sector of the front. Twenty-eight tanks were knocked out and 71 aircraft were destroyed in air combat and by anti-aircraft fire during yesterday.

THREE NAZI SHIPS SUNK

The Soviet Naval "communique" tonight states: "Ships of the Black Sea fleet discovered two enemy convoys at the approaches to Sebastopol during the night. One enemy transport was sunk at the entrance to Kazachya Bight. The second convoy consisting of two transports and several escort vessels were observed heading westward from near Khersones lighthouse. In all three enemy transports totalling 11,000 tons were sunk as well as one patrol vessel. Several other ships were damaged".—Reuter.

## ADVENT OF NEW CHARTER

### Philadelphia I. L. O. Sessions In Labour

PHILADELPHIA, April 29: The plenary session of the International Labour Office Conference has approved in principle a solemn declaration on the aims and purposes of the I.L.O. and the principles which should inspire the policy of its members.

The declaration the "Philadelphia Charter", as it has been called here, affirms that all human beings irrespective of race, creed or sex have the right to pursue both their material well-being and their spiritual development in conditions of freedom and dignity and of economic security and equal opportunity. It further affirms that the attainment of conditions in which this shall be possible must constitute the central aim of national and international policy and that all policies and measures, in particular those of economic and financial character must be judged in this light.

The Conference referred the declaration to a small drafting committee with a view to its adoption by this session of the conference.

The most discussed drafting problem in the declaration is the reference to I. L. O. 'scrutinising' all international, economic and financial problems.

It has been pointed out here that the word "scrutinising" has different implications in different languages and that the draft of the declaration also does not make it clear whether "scrutiny" would take place before or after international policies have been consummated in inter national agreements.—Reuter.

## *TORNADO HAVOC IN UNITED STATES*

WASHINGTON, April 30.

A total of eighty people kere killed and 721 injured in a series of tornados which struck fourteen Middle-west and Southern States between April 9 and 16, it was disclosed by the American Red Cross tonight. Few tornados in the history of the United States have caused so much devastation.—Reuter.

## TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT

**In his opinion, it was wrong to call the Indian soldiers mercenaries, as some had called them, for no man who risked his life even for his own stomach was a mercenary. The Indian soldier was grateful to the war for having provided him with two square meals a day and some extra money to send home to his family, and he was paying back his gratitude in terms of loyalty.**

—Mr. R. K. Karanjia in a speech delivered under the auspices of the National War Front.

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American aims by India, we are assured by Washington, are "strictly military".

American manners in India, in our opinion, should also be strictly civil!

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British M.P.'s are still waiting for a reply to the invitation they have sent to Mrs. Naidu.

And Mrs. Naidu, if we are not mistaken, is still waiting for the invitation to reach her.

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The Government of Sind has decided to abolish the system of joint electorates that was introduced by the Allahbux Ministry.

Divide and quit?

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### TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS

(Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague)

(1) *Hitler has started peace negotiations—after failing in his war negotiations!*

(2) *Mr. Jinnah has offered to exchange his Permanent Presidentship of the Muslim League with Malik Khizr Hayat Khan's Premiership of Punjab.*

(3) *More baffling than the eternal problem of "Who came first: the chicken or the egg?" is the latest problem: "What came first—the fire or the explosion?"*

(4) *"The People's War" will now write an editorial congratulating Sardar Abdul Nishtar, President of the Punjab Muslim League Conference, on the patriotic lead given in his address which patriotically avoided any references to the Japanese invasion.*

(5) *Sardar Abdul Nishtar, the "patriotic Leaguer", said that the three greatest problems of the country are Palestine, Pakistan and the Punjab but forgot the fourth P—People's War!*

(6) *Every Muslim, as Mr. Jinnah declared at Sialkot is with the Muslim League—except one horrible man in Lahore called Malik Khizr Hayat Khan Tiwana.*

## PREMIER'S ATTITUDE DEPLORED

### Punjab League Conference Calls For Repudiation Of Unionist Party

SIALKOT, April 29

The Subjects Committee of the Punjab Muslim League passed the following main resolutions:—

The first resolution deplores the whole attitude and action of Malik Khizr Hyat Khan and the second calls upon every member of the Punjab Assembly to declare that he owes allegiance solely to the Muslim League Party in the Assembly and not the Unionist Party or any other political party, that the present label of coalition should be dropped, namely, the Unionist Party and that the name of the proposed coalition shall be Muslim League Party.

The third resolution regarding the dismissal of Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan requests Malik Khizr Hyat Khan, Premier of the Punjab, to afford all facilities to Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan to clear up his position and in the event of the Governor's declining to do so, the Conference calls upon Mallk Khizr Hyat Khan and Main Abdul Haye, the remaining two Muslim League Ministers in the Punjab Cabinet to resign their offices. —A. P.

## UNIONIST MYTH EXPOSED

### Party Without Organisation

SIALKOT, April 29.

The open session of the Punjab Muslim League Conference adopted the resolution about the dismissal of Capt. Shaukat Hyat Khan. The resolution was moved by Malik Barkat Ali and seconded by Sheikh Sadiq Hassan.

Speaking on the resolution Mr. Jinnah questioned the legal authority of the Governor to dismiss an individual Minister. This was the negation of democracy, he said. He said this was victimisation of Sardar Shaukat Hyat Khan for his pro-League leanings.

UNIONIST MYTH

Raja Ghazanfar Ali Khan, ex-Parliamentary Secretary moved the second resolution about the allegiance of the Muslim members of the Punjab Assembly to the Muslim League Party and not to the Unionist or any other political party. He said that after remaining a member of the Unionist Party for seven years it was still doubtful whether the Unionist Party was in existence at all. Except that a few members mostly representing rural constituencies met together and did not object to being called Unionists, the Party had no organisation outside the Legislature. They had never held any annual elections of office-bearers. They had no office-bearers, no constitution and had never held any conference.

Before the advent of Provincial Autonomy there used to be a strong official bloc in the Assembly and they wanted some people to help them in getting through some measures which the Government wanted to pass and in return, sometimes in small matters, the officials lent their support to this Zamindari group. The party as such never had had nor now had any influence in the Province. During the last general elections all the contesting candidates were given Unionist tickets and any one of them who succeeded at the elections through his own personal influence was patted on the back and given the 'nom de plume' of Unionist. To tell the plain truth, concluded Raja Ghazanfar Ali, it is only an instrument to lower the prestige and influence of the Muslim League in the Province.

The resolution was seconded by Maulvi Ghulam Mohiuddin who said that the hour of trial for the Mussalmans had arrived. He asked the Premier to give up his dual policy as there could never be an alliance between the League and the Unionist Party.

The resolution was carried unanimously and the conference adjourned till 10 a.m. on Sunday.

In addition to the 13 members mentioned yesterday, three other members of the Punjab Assembly present today were Khawaja Ghulam Samad, Khan Bahadur Maulvi Ghulam Mohiuddin and Malik Barkat Ali. There was a much bigger attendance than yesterday and the pandal packed to capacity.—A. P.

# Jinnah Must Explain His Scheme Of Pakistan

## Time To End This Purposeless Manoeuvring, Warns Sardar Baldev Singh

LAHORE, April 30.

"I must say that Mr. Jinnah's present activities in Lahore, his attack on the Unionist Party and his insistence on the Punjab Ministry being recognised as a Muslim League Coalition Ministry have caused widespread alarm in the province, says Sardar Baldev Singh, Minister, in the course of a statement.

He adds: "Firstly an attempt to destroy the Unionist Party apart from anything else amounts also to the unilateral repudiation of the pacts arrived at by Mr. Jinnah and the League with the Unionists and by the Unionist Party with me. If the leaders of the League encourage the Muslims who are a majority in the Unionist Party to treat their pledged word so lightly, the Sikhs will greatly hesitate to rely on any future promises made by them. I ask Mr. Jinnah and the Muslim members of the Ministerial Party in all sincerity to take due notice of this and avoid the sowing of seeds of suspicion.

Secondly it is no more a secret that acts of indiscipline by a few members of the Unionist Party are the result of internal intrigue by interested persons. Whatever their own designs I have no hesitation in saying that encouragement to such acts for communal domination would destroy for all times all confidence in the integrity and working of political parties. Differences of opinion are no new phenomenon but to achieve the object of such differences by internal surreptitious intrigues is against all canons of public conduct.

A SUB-NATIONALITY!

I should say here that in earnest of our desire to live peacefully with our Muslim brethren I with the concurrence of my friends in the community made every effort to come to terms with Mr. Jinnah. I repeatedly and pointedly asked him for the clarification of the Pakistan Scheme. There was no response. I must make it clear that it is not offices, posts or even exclusive communal advantages that we seek. The right of self-determination is now an admitted principle recognised the world over. The Sikhs hold that this right of self-determination can and should be exercised to the fullest extent without violating India's integrity and unity by the Muslims and in the same measure by the non-Muslims. Mr. Jinnah has so far shown no inclination to accept this clear principle, nor does he explain what his own scheme of Pakistan is. We have at one time been assigned the status of sub-nationality and at another offered lavish promises of generous privileges. The time has come to end this purposeless manoeuvring."

SIKHS WILL NEVER FALTER.

Concluding he says:—To treat us with condescension or dub us as subnationals is to expect of us denial of our proud lineage. No Sikh may fall so low whatever his preferences. We have lived in peace as equal neighbours with our sister communities. We are resolved to stand by and will, if necessary, die with those who keep their truth in pursuit of our common aspirations. The Sikhs have never faltered. They shall not do so now."

He warns that to divide the people of the Province by aggravating communal bitterness at this time would be a positive danger to all concerned.—United Press.


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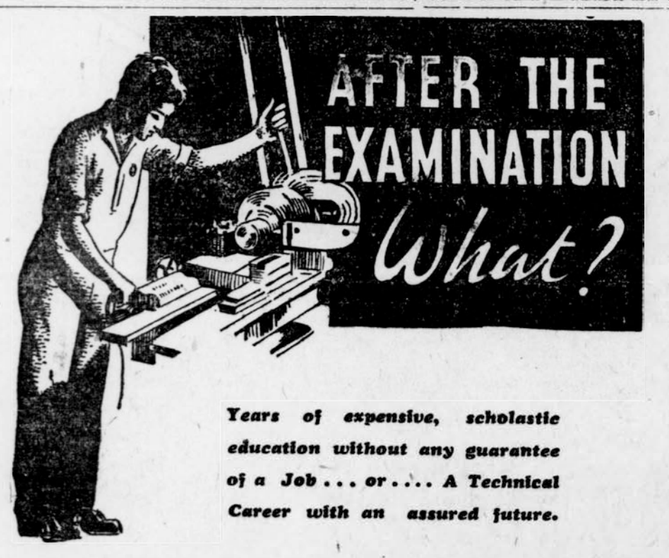


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## "Hindu" On Jinnah's 'Misguided Attempt'

MADRAS, April 30.

Under the caption "Punjab Politics", the "Hindu" in an editorial says:—

The Premier of the Punjab, Malik Khizr Hyat Khan, has acted not only in the best interest of his community but also of his province in rejecting Mr. Jinnah's proposals, which were really in the nature of an ultimatum. The most important of these proposals was that "every member of the Muslim League Party in the Punjab Assembly should declare that he owes his allegiance solely to the Muslim League Party in the Assembly and not to the Unionist Party or to any other political party."

The other two proposals about change of labels are but a corollary to the first.

Proceeding the paper says: Now, this is a demand which so far as it is pressed on the Muslim members of the Punjab Assembly, not only ignores, as the Prime Minister has pointed out, the political history of the province in the past two decades; it is a misguided attempt to subvert obdurate political realities by a diplomatic Coup."—A. P.

# How Strong Is Germany

(From A Special Correspondent.)

LONDON, April 29: When the second front is filling the air it is worthwhile to have some idea of the fighting and the food position of Britain's enemy No 1.

The first is food. Germany's food position is much better to-day when it was in 1918. Rations are maintained perhaps with some difficulty and there is not much to spare but there is no starvation or misery. Potato problem is the worst—last year's crop was about 25 million tons below requirements. Conquered countries are serving Germany well. It is not generally known that Rumania sometime ago abolished all food rationing—wheat barley and sugar beet crops were records. Its food surplus is now being shifted to Germany. In the economic sense therefore Germany is still formidable.

Militarily, the Luftwaffe is not what it was, but the German army despite all its losses will take some beating. In September 1939 the Reich's male population was about 41,500,000. Allowing for the men in reserved occupations, party officials and physically unfit, the total mobilisable manpower was about 19 million. Of these 6,500,000 are estimated killed, captured or crippled. This leaves Germany with a potential manpower of 12,325,000.

Allowing for disbursements on various fronts and home defences, the German Army has, according to experts, about the same number of divisions with which it started the war. This is sobering fact to bear in mind when contemplating the Allies' great attack now fast approaching.

## *Crisis In Ahmedabad Cloth Trade*

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, April 30.

It is gathered that by the recent decision of the Government not to give any quota to merchants other than 1940/41/42 a crisis is feared in local cloth trade and it is presumed that legal advice is being sought in this behalf.

It is said that Government has no right to stop business of individual firms or merchants. The Government can stop business collectively without any exception and on this issue, the cloth merchants are preparing their case and seeking legal advice.

A move is afloat that if nothing is done and if merchants other than 1940/41/42 do not get their quota a requisition is being prepared and may be sent to the Cloth Mahajan Association wherein it is stated that those firms which are connected with the Mahajan should not buy any cloth from mills unless all merchants including 1943 and onwards are getting their quota.

## Plan For Exploitation Of Indian Fisheries

NEW DELHI, April 30: A five-year plan for the proper development and exploitation of fisheries of India has been prepared by Dr. Baini Prashad, Director, Zoological Survey of India, for submission to the reconstruction (Policy) Committee on agriculture, Forests and Fisheries.

The plan provides for a comprehensive survey of the development of fisheries and the steps that are necessary for hastening their development along proper lines.

The scheme suggests the appointment of an 'ad hoc' Expert Committee to draw up a detailed plan of enquiry the results of which would form the basis of all future scientific and experimental work.—A. P.

INDORE April 27: Their Highnesses The Maharaja and Maharani Holkar have contributed a sum of Rs. 5,000 towards the Bombay Emergency Relief Fund for the relief of suffering caused by the explosions in Bombay.

# RELEASE OF LEADERS

## "Indian Affairs" Demands Guarantee Against Sabotage

LONDON, April 29: Without a guarantee that the campaign of violence would not be immediately resumed it would be an act of criminal folly for the Government of India to release leaders of the organisation responsible for the sabotage that followed upon the Civil Disobedience resolution. This view is expressed in "Indian Affairs", the journal of the India-Burma Association.

The journal continues: "The choice is one between certain inconvenience to a number of active politicians and the lives of men who are engaged in keeping Japanese armies from Indian soil. If there is to be talk of betrayal, the worst betrayal of all would be toleration, in the rear of Indian, American, British and Chinese soldiers, who are fighting for the preservation of India, of a movement designed to hamstring their efforts.

*What the advocates of conciliation ask is that the Government of India should bend its knee to sedition and reconcile itself to the letting down of all Allied nations fighting in that area*

They may not thus see the consequences of what they demand but common sense suggests no narrower view of possibilities. The Government of India has shown patience beyond all precedent and still awaits with expectation an opportunity of carrying indulgence further."

## *ANTI-AXIS CINEMA COUP IN COPENHAGEN*

STOCKHOLM, April 29.

From Reuter's Special Correspondent:

The Danish patriot, who organised the fantastic coup in 21 Copenhagen cinemas last Sunday when the anti-Nazi film "The Lambeth Walk" followed by words of British and Danish National Anthems appeared as unexplained "extra" in the programme told me to-day how it was done. He said the film had already been shown to hundreds of patriots, all of Denmark, when they decided on the coup. "At the end of it we had added pictures of Danish and British flags crossed and words of 'God save the King and the Danish National Anthem King Christian.' As a tailpiece we printed the slogan "Allied nations greet the Danes. The hour of liberation is not far off." We fixed the date for our coup for last Sunday at 20.00 hours performance. Three armed patriots broke into the projection rooms of 21 different cinemas, forced the operators to run the film through and disappeared. Not one was caught.

## BRITISH DIPLOMAT HAS NO MORE USE FOR JINNAH

### Hindu Sabha General Secretary On Punjab Affairs

KURNOOL, April 27

Mr. B. G. Khaparde, General Secretary of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, who arrived here this afternoon, referred in a press interview to Captain Shaukat Hyat Khan's dismissal from the Punjab Ministry, Mr. Khaparde said he had foretold in a press interview in Madras that the British diplomat had no more use for Mr. Jinnah as he had served the former's purpose of dividing the Hindus and the Muslims by insisting on the preposterous demand for Pakistan. He had also anticipated that Mr. Jinnah would not succeed in striking at the Punjab Ministry, and it was a surprise to him that proof of his anticipation should have come so soon in the summary dismissal of Captain Shaukat Hyat Khan, who was a staunch Muslim Leaguer.

Asked about the interview he had with Mr. Rajagopalachariar at Madras, Mr. Khaparde replied that he had a long and friendly talk and he did not wish to break the confidence by giving details of the talk, but felt free to state that he had left with the impression that with more strenuous efforts by a more powerful engine this veteran weather-beaten ship might be towed safe to the harbour of the Hindu Mahasabha.

Referring to the ban on the Mahasabha meeting at Bezwada by the District Magistrate, Mr. Khaparde expected the lifting of the ban and hoped to address a meeting there on his way back on May 1.—A. P.

## International Rubber Committee Dissolved

LONDON, April 30: The International Rubber Regulation Committee has been dissolved the Colonial Office announced tonight but negotiations are in progress to secure the establishment of a new committee on a wider basis without any regulatory powers. The Governments of Britain, the Netherlands and India had agreed to a fourth months' extension of the life of the Committee from January first.—Reuter.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, April 29.

May 21.11, July 20.59, October 19.83, Middling Spot 21.56.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, April 29.

May 21.27, July 20.76, October 19.87, Middling Spot 20.75.

LONDON EXCHANGES

London April 29.

T. T. London On:—

New York sellers 4.02-1/2, buyers 4.03-1/2, Madrid official 44.00, Montreal selling 4.43, buyers 4.47, Zurich sellers 17.3, buyers 17.4, Stockholm sellers 16.85 buyers 16.95.

# MACARTHUR'S DECISION

## Won't Accept Presidential Candidature

LONDON, April 29.

Advanced Allied Headquarters New Guinea: Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Supreme Commander in the South-west Pacific, in a statement to-day announces that he does not covet Republican candidature for President and will not accept it.

MacArthur, rejecting all suggestions that he might be a candidate for President said that such a movement to have an officer in a high position on active service for a presidential candidate now would "be detrimental to our war effort."—Reuter

## *'BR. EMPIRE STANDS FIRMER THAN BEFORE'*

NEW YORK, April 29: "New York Times" commenting on the fighting on the Indian frontier said to-day: "Tojo's dream of a Japanese India has turned to ashes, and the British Empire stands firmer than before.

Fighting is still under way but British and Imperial troops are now on the offensive and the invaders are in retreat. Nearly 10,000 of them have been killed. The rest pressed back into the jungle where their rear communication lines are being cut by daring American, British, Indian and Chinese troops borne by air up to 200 miles behind the Japanese front, face extermination by Allied bombs, by hunger and by the approaching monsoon."

## *"HARPERS'" UP AGAINST CENSORSHIP*

NEW YORK, April 29: The editors of Harpers' Magazine denounced the U. S. Army for banning the publication of an article criticising Gen. Douglas MacArthur. "This situation is intolerable in a free country", they stated. "That a man who stands protected by censorship should permit his name to be considered for the Presidency mocks the central principle of democracy—let the public stand warned. Accounts of this candidate which have been appearing are incomplete and biased by censorship and are therefore, politically unreliable."

## Anti-Nazis Gathering Strength In Germany

STOCKHOLM, April 29: More than 70,000 deserters from the German army are now hiding in Germany or living openly under assumed identities and about 30,000 escaped prisoners of war, Jews and foreign workers are living there illegally helped by disorganisation caused by Allied bombing, says Reuter's special correspondent. These figures given to me by a Swedish citizen back from Germany after 20 years are confirmed by expert observers here.

The Swedish citizen said that the Gestapo had lost their card index, when their Berlin headquarters received a direct hit and duplicates in the provinces are not up-to-date. This explains the ease with which people can fool the authorities.

INVASION PROSPECTS

Asked about morale in Berlin, he said that people have lost faith in victory but are too frightened by the Gestapo and are too apathetic to revolt. "The first stage of Allied invasion will probably meet with terrific resistance but if the Allies score major victories after landing, the situation may change quickly."—Reuter.

## INDIANS SHOULD THANK THEIR STARS!!

The curtailment of passenger train services, in order to conserve coal and engine power, has led to over-crowding on Indian railways. The position of travellers in other countries is far more acute than in India.

In South Africa on some of the main line routes, it is not possible to obtain a berth on a train unless accommodation is reserved three to five weeks ahead. In England the reservation of seats on passenger trains is restricted to a few preferred categories of travellers and the Executive Committee of the British railways recently issued an order by which no member of the Railway staff in uniform can reserve a seat for an intending traveller by depositing his luggage on it unless the traveller himself is present on the spot.

## B. N. Railway Retain Beighton Cup

CALCUTTA, April 25: B. N. Railway, holders of Beighton Cup, retained title and trophy defeating Jiwaji Club of Gwalior by one goal to nil in the final of the Beighton Cup played this afternoon.—A. P.

## *More Pay For Viceroy's Commissioned Officers*

NEW DELHI, April 29.

Under revised scales announced to-day Viceriy's Commissioned Officers will receive increased pay, says a Press Note.

Viceroy Commissioned Officer's serving in field service or full concessional areas will also receive increased rates of 'Batta'. These increases are intended solely as a war measure, and come into effect from 1st April 1944.—A. P.

## Ex-President Of Portugal Dead

LISBON, April 29: Doctor Bernardino Machado, twice president of the Portuguese Republic, died at Oporto to-day, Saturday, aged 93.—Reuter.

# No Danger To Bengal

## Food Problem Is Real Problem, Says Casey

NEW DELHI, April 29

Addressing a press conference at the Viceroy's House, the Bengal Governor, Hon. Mr. Casey revealed the nature of talks with H. E. the Viceroy, Members of the Executive Council and officers of the South-East Asia Command.

With the Finance Member Mr. Casey discussed the financial position of Bengal which had a huge deficit as compared to other provinces which had shown surpluses. According to the Governor, Bengal's food problem would cause anxiety not merely during the war but a year thereafter, and he was doubtful if the recapture of Burma would ease the situation particularly when Burma was not making headway in rice production under Japanese occupation.

Mr. Casey said that the main problem connected with the food problem was that of distribution and transportation, and indicated how parts of locomotives and wagons from the United States could make the transport problem easier. He said that India had comparatively much less locomotives and wagons compared to England and the sizes of the two countries.

Mr. Casey expressed confidence after talks with the Supreme Commander of the South-East Asia Command. "There is no danger to Bengal from the Japanese and the Japanese main forces would be sent across Burma Border from where they came, and small pockets occupied by small forces completely cleared."—United Press.


## AUCTION SALES.

BONAFIDE SALE OF VERY VALUABLE JEWELLERY AT RAJKOT.

By order of the Imperial Bank of India, Executor and Trustee of the Estate of the late Miss Elizabeth Sharpe, Messrs. Crawford & Co., Auctioneers, will sell by Public Auction on Sunday 21st May, 1944, from 10-30 A. M. to 1 p. m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. (N.S.T.) at the Imperial Bank of India, Rajkot Branch, Rajkot, Very valuable Diamond, Ruby, Pearl and Emerald Jewellery consisting of Necklaces, Bracelets Rings, Pins, etc set in Gold.

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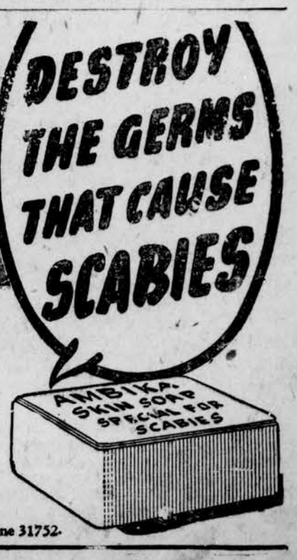



MUTT AND JEFF—Well, Maybe the Leather Situation Isn't So Bad, After All — By BUD FISHER

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**Wanted a Creche Nurse for Mills** at Jalgaon, Salary Rs. 50|-. Apply stating qualifications and experience to Khandesh Spg. & Wvg. Mills, Co., Ltd., 42, Queen's Rd. Bombay. (8c27)

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## PUBLIC NOTICES.

**GOVERNMENT Announcements, Legal and Public Notifications are published in these columns at the rate of Rs. 12-0-0 per inch**

DEVKARAN NANJEE INVESTMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of DEVKARAN NANJEE INVESTMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held on MONDAY, the 29th May, 1944, at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.), at Devkaran Nanjee Buildings (on the Second Floor, above DENA BANK), Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay, to transact the following business:—

1. To Receeive the Report of the Directors and the Audited Accounts of the Company for the period ended the 31st March 1944.
2. To Declare a Dividend.
3. To Elect Directors in place of those that retire but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.
4. To Appoint Auditors and fix their remuneration.
5. As special business, to consider and if thought fit to pass, with or without modification, the following Resolution:— "That the Managing Agency Agreement dated the 20th February 1943 and made between Denasons Limited of the one part and the Company of the other part be modified by inserting at the end of Clause 19 the following proviso:— 'PROVIDED HOWEVER that on such winding up no compensation would be payable to the Managing Agents unless and until the shareholders of the Company are returned the full amount of capital contributed by them.' and that the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to enter into the necessary Agreement of modification on behalf of the Company with the said Denasons Limited."

and

6. To Transact such other business as may be placed before the Meeting by the Chairman.

By Order of the Board,
B. R. CHINAI,
Secretary.

Bombay, 25th April, 1944.

N.B.—The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed as from Friday, the 12th May 1944, to Thursday, the 1st June 1944, both days inclusive.
The Dividend, when sanctioned, will be made payable at DEVKARAN NANJEE BANKING CO., LTD., BOMBAY, on and after Monday, the 5th June 1944, to those shareholders whose names stand on the Register of the Company on the 1st June 1944. (8665)

**BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY**

NOTICE

SEVERAL BUILDINGS in the area described below were temporarily evacuated after the explosion and fires that occurred on Friday, the 14th April, 1944. Many of them have been allowed to be occupied after inspection by the Municipal Engineers to avoid inconvenience and hardships to tenants. It is however desirable that all these buildings are thoroughly examined by the owners through their licensed Surveyors without any delay as monsoon is fast approaching.

All the house owners in this area are therefore requested to do the needful and submit copies of their Surveyor's report to the City Engineer, Bombay Municipality to enable measures of safety being taken in time if the same are found necessary.

Area to the West of the G.I.P. Railway line bounded by:—
Carnac Road.
Sheriff Dewji Street,
Jackeria Masjid Street,
1st Chinch Bunder Road.
Chinch Bunder Road,
Sandhurst Road.
G. I. P. Railway Lines.
(Sd.) N. V. MODAK,
City Engineer.
Municipal Offices, Bombay.
8600

**NOTICE**

THE ARCHITECTURAL PRACTICE of Mr. D. W. Ditchburn, F.R.I.B.A., F.I.I.A. etc. will be amalgamated with that of Messrs Mistri & Bhedwar as from 1st May 1944 and the joint firm will thereafter be known as Messrs. Ditchburn & Mistri & Bhedwar.
The practice will be carried on at Jehangir Wadia Building, 49-51, Esplanade Road, Bombay. Telephone No. 20210.
(8649)

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**For Sale Triple Evaporators,** Centrifugal Machine, Air Compressor Pump, Air Compressor with Electric motor in perfect working order. Write for full particulars, c|o. Box No. 4749B, "Bombay Chronicle."

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## PUBLIC NOTICES.

**DEVKARAN NANJEE INVESTMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.**

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of DEVKARAN NANJEE INVESTMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at Devkaran Nanjee Buildings (on the Second Floor, above DENA BANK), Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay, on MONDAY, the 29th May 1944, at 3-45 p.m. (S.T.) or so soon after the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held there earlier is over, when the sub-joined resolution will be proposed, with or without modification, as a Special Resolution:—

"That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:—

(a) In Article 49 words "or the holder of succession certificate' shall be inserted after the words "executor or administrator' and the words "or succession certificate" shall be inserted after the words "probate or letters of administration or other legal representation" wherever they occur.

(b) In Article 50, the marginal note "Transmission Clause" and the words "This Article is hereinafter referred to as "the transmission clause" shall be deleted.

(c) In Article 57 the full stop at the end thereof shall be deleted and the following words shall be added:—
"in such manner as they may think fit and in particular by the issue of fractional certificates or coupons with liberty to dispose of the right conferred by such fractional certificates or coupons in such manner (either by issue and sale of duplicate or allotment of shares or otherwise) and on such terms and at such times thereof as may be determined."

(d) In Article 59, the following sub-clause shall be added after sub-clause (c):—
"(d) Whenever as the result of any consolidation or any consolidation and sub-division of shares any difficulty arises by reason of any member becoming entitled to fractions of shares such difficulty shall in the absence of any direction by the general meeting resolving upon the consolidation or the consolidation and sub-division be settled by the Directors in such manner as they may determine and in particular by the issue of fractional certificates or coupons with liberty to dispose of the right conferred by such fractional certificates or coupons in such manner (either by issue and sale of duplicate or allotment of shares or otherwise) and upon such terms and at such times thereof as may be determined; without prejudice to the powers hereinbefore conferred, the Directors shall be entitled to sell the shares to which members are entitled in fractions for the best price reasonably obtainable, and shall pay and distribute to and amongst the members entitled to such shares in due proportions the nett proceeds of sale thereof. For the purpose of giving effect to any such sale the Directors may authorise any person to transfer the shares sold to the purchaser thereof and the purchaser shall be registered as the holder of the shares comprised in any such transfer and he shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money nor shall his title to the shares be affected by any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings in reference to the sale."

(e) In Article 97, the words "or any other moneys on any account whatever either solely or jointly with any other person" shall be deleted.

(f) In Article 114, the words "is determined if his interest then exists, or in any other case at the first meeting of the Directors after the acquisition of his interest or making of the contract or arrangement"
shall be substituted for the words
"is first taken into consideration if his interest then exists, or in any other case at the first meeting of the Directors after the acquisition of his interest. If a Director becomes interested in a contract or arrangement after it is made or entered into the disclosure of his interest shall be made at the first meeting of the Directors held after he becomes so interested."

(g) In Article 114, the words "or to a settlement or set off of cross-claims" shall be deleted.

(h) In Article 154, the word and figure "Article 50" shall be substituted for the words brackets and figure "the transmission clause (Article 50)"."

By Order of the Board,
B. R. CHINAI,
Secretary.

Bombay, 25th April, 1944.
(8667)

## PUBLIC NOTICES.

**BOMBAY BARODA AND CENTRAL INDIA RAILWAY.**

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from candidates of any communities for the following temporary posts.

| Approximate number of vacancies. | Designations. | Scales of pay. | QUALIFICATIONS. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 13 | Supervisors Overseers Sub-overseers | Rs. (Revised) 200\|- 120\|- 60-5-80 | Applicants should be holders of a diploma of a recognised Engineering College or University. |
| 30 | Clerks. | 30-4-50-5-80. | Matriculation or equivalent examination of a recognised University. Knowledge of shorthand and typing will be considered an additional qualification. |
| 10 | Draftsmen or Tracers. | 100\|- 30-4-50-5-80 | Matriculation or equivalent examination of a recognised University. Minimum technical qualification, passed Sub-Overseer of a recognised Engineering College and|or Intermediate grade Drawing examination of a recognised Institution. |

Age not below 18 years, or over 25 years on 1-5-1944. Form of application will be sent on receipt of Rupee one by M.O. Apply to the Chief Engineer, B. B. and C. I. Rly., Churchgate, Bombay, not later than 15-5-1944. (8659)

**THE AZAM JAHI MILLS LIMITED**
(Incorporated in Hyderabad Deccan).
NOTICE.

The FOLLOWING SHARE TRANSFER temporary receipts of this Company issued in the name of the undermentioned shareholders are reported to have been lost in postal transit. Any person having claim to them should notify to the Company within a fortnight, after which duplicates will be issued to the parties concerned.

| SHAREHOLDERS. | NO. OF RECEIPT. |
|---|---|
| Raojibai Haribhai Desai of Bombay. | Share Transfer Temporary Receipt No. 301 for 5 shares Nos. 10181 to 10185. |
| Panalal Manilal of Bombay. | Share transfer Temporary receipt No. 277 for 25 shares Nos. 8396\| 8400, 9871\|75; 31\|35 3517\|3521 and 816\|820. |
| Rabindranath Chatterjee of Bombay. | Share transfer Temporary receipt No. 247 for 10 shares Nos. 8506\| 8510 and 2882\|2886. |

(Sd.) C. S. TYABJEE,
Managing Agent,
For the Industrial Trust Fund
H.E.H. the Nizam's Government,
Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents.
Hyderabad—Dn.,
D|25th February, 1944. (8661)

**BOMBAY PORT TRUST OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION**

A MEETING of the members of the Association will be held on MONDAY, the 1st May, 1944, at 6-15 p.m. at Thackersey House, Ballard Estate, Bombay, to pass the following resolutions:—

1. "That this meeting of the Officers of the Bombay Port Trust records its deep sense of sorrow at the loss of those who fell, in the heroic discharge of their duty, as a result of the catastrophe which befell the Port and the City of Bombay on Friday the 14th April 1944 and expresses its profound sympathy to the relatives of those killed or missing and those injured."
2. "That a copy of this resolution be sent to Mrs. J. R. Sadler, Mrs. J. S. Nicholson and Mrs. C. O. A. Martensz."

Special accommodation has been reserved for non-members who may like to attend.
Members will please note that individual notices are not being sent.

C. MADHAVA RAO,
Honorary Secretary.
(8668)

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, BENGAL.**

APPLICATIONS are invited from male candidates to fill a permanent post of Professor of English in the Men's Branch of the Bengal Senior Educational Service. Pay —300-1,000. Qualification.—Candidates must possess a good Honours degree in English from a British University or a first class Master's degree in English from an Indian University, with not less than five years' teaching experience. Full details may be obtained from the Secretary, Public Service Commission, Bengal, Darjeeling, personally or ON SENDING AN ADDRESSED ENVELOPE WITH A NINE PIES STAMP. Last date for receipt of applications on prescribed form together with treasury receipt for Rs. 5|-, 15th May, 1944.
(8640)

**NOTICE.**

WANTED A PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY in Ramnarain Ruia College, Matunga, Bombay-19, from 1st June, 1944. Apply to the Principal stating qualifications and salary expected before 10th of May, 1944.

V. K. BHAGWAT,
Principal.
Ramnarain Ruia College,
Matunga.
(8657)

**G. I. P. RAILWAY-TENDERS**

THE CONTROLLER of Stores invites tenders for reconditioning of Scrap White Metal No. 6 Form obtainable from Stores Head Office, Gipstore Lane Lower Parel, Bombay 13, at Rs 2|-|- per copy not refundable. Money Order or cash only. CLOSING DATE MONDAY, the 15th May, 1944 at 3 P.M. (S.T.)
(8622)

**NOTICE.**

THE GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY has amended clause 7B of the Bombay Cotton Cloth Dealers Licensing Order, 1943. Under the amended clause all dealers in cloth have to submit quarterly stock returns, by the 10th February, May, August and November in each year, showing the stocks held by them on the last day of the preceding month. The form in which the returns are to be submitted has also been simplified. The first return in the revised form is to be submitted by the 10th of August 1944, showing the stocks held on 31st July, 1944.
(8673)

## LEGAL NOTICES.

**NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MANGESH KASHINATH DALVI and DURGABAI, wife of the said Mangesh Kashinath Dalvi have contracted to sell to our client the property known as "Radha Nivas", described in the Schedule hereunder written situate at Dady Seth Road, Chaupatty in Bombay. All persons having any interest or claim of whatsoever nature or kind in or to the said property or any part thereof either by way of mortgage, lien gift, sale, use, trust, lease, inheritance or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned Solicitors for the Purchaser at their Office at the Mercantile Bank Buildings, 54, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay within fourteen days from the date hereof. In default the sale will be completed on the expiry of the said period and all interests and claims, if any, in or to the said property of which no notice shall have been so received, will be considered as relinquished and waived.

SCHEDULE

All that piece or parcel of land or ground with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, containing an area of 446 square yards or thereabouts situate on and being plot No. 21 B of the West Chaupatty Estate formerly of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay and now vested in the Bombay Municipal Corporation in the City and Island and Sub-Registration District of Bombay and bounded, on the East by Plot No. 21A of the said Estate leased to Bai Pirojbai wife of Ardesir Burjorji Paymaster, on the South by Plot No. 22B of the said Estate leased to Vallabhdas Odhavji and another on the West by a Road 30 feet in width and on the North by plot No. 20 of the said Estate leased to Shavaksha Sorabji Panthaki and forming portion of lands bearing New Survey No. B B 7298 Cadastral Survey No. 2A|380 Malabar Hill Division and is assessed by the Municipality under D Ward No. 2660 (4A) Street No. 8A Dady Seth Road.

PAYNE & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
Dated this 29th day of April, 1944.
(8662)

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**THE BANK OF JAIPUR LIMITED**
(Incorporated in Jaipur)
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NOTICE

Re: MANDVI BRANCH.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that our MANDVI BRANCH which was temporarily functioning from our Bombay Main Office Cook's Building, Hornby Road, Bombay, will regularly function from its premises at 65, Kazi Sayad Street, Mandvi, from MONDAY, the 1st May, 1944.

C. H. DIVANJI,
Bombay Agent.
Bombay, 28th April, 1944.
(8651)

**NOTICE.**

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for two posts of duftries, one permanent and the other temporary, on Rs. 15|- in the scale of Rs. 15-1|2-20 (plus Rs. 9 p.m. dearness allowance) in the office of the Resident for Kolhapur and the Deccan States. Matriculates will be given preference. Applications stating age, qualifications etc. should reach the undersigned on or before the 10th May, 1944.
(Sd.) RODERICK PARKES,
Secretary to the Resident for Kolhapur and the Deccan States.
(8658)

## LEGAL NOTICES

**NOTICE**

Re: East of Bai JERBAI, widow of Sorabji Bomanji Mistry Deceased.

ALL PERSONS having any claim against the estate of the abovenamed deceased, who died at Bombay one the 7th day of June, 1943 and Probate of whose will and codicil thereto was granted on 6th April, 1944, to Ardeshir Maneckji Sethna, Maneckshа Rustomji Patel, Framji Shapurji Batlivala and Minocher Ruttonji Chayla of Bombay are hereby required to send in their claims to the said Executors at the office of the undesigned, their attorneys within one month from the date hereof after which time the Executors will hand over the assets to the persons entitled thereto.

Jehangir Building,
Esplanade Road, Bombay.
EASTLEY LAM & CO.,
Executors' Attorneys.
Dated the 28th day of April, 1944.
(8660)

**NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bai ZULEKHANBAI, wife of Ebrahim Haji Noormahomed has contracted to sell her undermentioned property to our client. Any person having any right or interest in or to the said property in any manner whatsoever is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at 36, Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay within FOURTEEN DAYS from the receipt hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without regard in any such claim or interest and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE.

Piece of Government land with dwelling thereon situate at Abdul Reheman Street, Bombay, admeasuring about 174 Sq. Yds. bearing Collector's New Nos. 7202, 7203 and New Survey Nos. 1985, 1985 and Cadastral Survey No. 19 of Mandvi Division assessed under B Ward No. 33 and Street Nos. 281-79 and bounded, on the East by Sweepers passage, West by Abdul Reheman Street, South by the property of Haji Siddick Allana and North by the property of Haji Cassam Jusab.

GHULAMALI NOORANI & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys
Bombay dated this 29th day of April, 1944.
(8663)

## LEGAL NOTICES

**NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bai AMTHIBAI, widow of Hargowandas Raval, BABUBHAI alias SHANKARLAL CHHABILDAS and HARENDRA CHHABILDAS, a minor by his brother BABUBHAI alias SHANKARLAL CHHABILDAS, All of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients.

All persons having any claim or interest against or to the said property howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Hamam House, Hamam Street, Fort, Bombay within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of land of the Pension and Tax tenure (since redeemed dwelling-house standing thereon, situate at 2nd Khateralli Lane and Fanaswadi Lane outside the Fort, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 159 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue New No. 1134 New Survey No. 375. Cadastral Survey No. 2278, of Bhuleshwar Division and in the Books of the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and taxes under C. Ward Nos. 4979 and 4651, Street Nos. 12 and 15 and bounded as follows: on the East by the said 2nd Khateralli Lane, on the West by the said Fanaswadi Lane, on the North by the property of Shivnarayan Surajmal Nemanee and on the South by the property of Bai Radhabai widow of Govindrao Pachikar.

AMIN DESAI & NANNAVATI,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
Dated this 27th day of April, 1944.
(8656)

**NOTICE OF SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mrs. SHEBABAI AARON SOLOMON, Mr. SAMUEL AARON SOLOMON and MASTER MOSES SOLOMON and MASTER MOSES AARON SOLOMON (minor) by his guardian Shebabai Aaron Solomon with Court's permission (Miscellaneous application No. 242 of 1940 dated 15th April, 1944) have contracted to sell to the undersigned their undermentioned property:—

All that piece of land the property consisting of a ground floor and a first floor building situated in Nana Peth, Poona City in the Sub-Registration District of Taluka Haveli Dist. Poona being plot No. 4 in Old Survey No. 80 A|3 New Survey No. 491-A 1A 1A Hissa No. 3 City Survey No. 407 and admeasuring 4135 Square feet being 65 feet long north to south and 61 feet broad east to west and bounded as follows:—

On or towards the East by Plot No. 5 and house of Mr. S. P. Kukde; On or towards the West by house of Mr. Bell; On or towards the north by 20 feet broad road running East to West and on or towards the South by land belonging to Rajaram Sopandeo Kudale.

All persons having any claim whatsoever in or upon the said property are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at 2422 East Street, Poona Cantonment within 12 days otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same, if any, shall be considered to have been absolutely waived.

GERSHON REUBEN SOLOMON
and
RACHEL GERSHON SOLOMON
Purchasers.
Dated this the 28th day of April 1944.
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